SPONGES.

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ESTABLISHED 1850.

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- That—We hold every description of Sponge, and the largest and best assorted stock in the world.
- That—We have imported and sold the finest Cuban Sponges for 36 years, and that no firm extant has any monopoly whatever, the right of Sponge fishing in Cuban waters being easily obtained by payment of a small fee to the Government.
- That—Our Trade Mark, Prices Current, and Form of advertisement are being unscrupulously followed, thereby misleading our regular customers both at home and abroad.

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For full particulars see Illustrated Price List on following pages.

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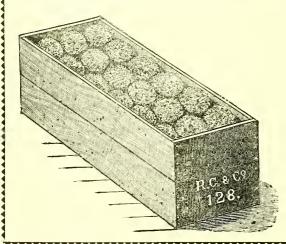
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Sponges in Cases.

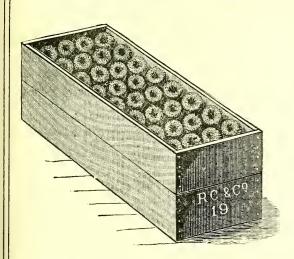
SANDED OR SANDLESS. *

HONEY-COMB SPONGES.

No. Qlty. about case 1 1st Finest selected shapes, assorted sizes 120 240/ 2 1st Do. do. do. 75 140/ 3 1st Do. do. do. 45 80/ 4 1st Small selected shapes 280 140/ 5 1st Superior do. large Bath sizes 25 140/	Pieces			
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6 2nd Do. quality shapes, assorted sizes 125			2nd	6
7 2nd Do. do. do 73 84/			2nd	7
8 2nd Good quality shapes, small 280 70/	11 280 70/	Good quality shapes, small	2nd	8
9 2nd Do. large Bath sizes 25 100/			2nd	9
10 3rd Do. assorted sizes 145 105/		Do. assorted sizes	3rd	10
11 3rd Do. do 85 70/			3rd	11
12 3rd Do. large Bath sizes 25 60/	e Bath sizes 25 60/	Do. large Bath sizes	3rd	12
13 4th For Stable use, &c 100 50/	100 50/		4th	13

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Sponges in Cases.

SANDED OR SANDLESS.

FINE TURKEY SPONGES.

						Pieces	
						in case	Price
No.	Olty.					about	case.
14	lst	Finest selected C	lups, assorted	sizes		110	360/
15	1st	Do_{ullet}	do.			60	200/
16	1st	Do.	Bath siz	es		25	240/
17	2nd	Superior Cups,	assorted sizes			110	240/
18	2nd	Do.	do.		• • •	60	140/
19	2nd	Do.	Bath sizes			35	180/
20	3rd	Fine Cups, asso:	rted sizes			110	180/
21	3rd	Do.	lo.			65	105/
22	$3\mathrm{rd}$	Do. Bat	h sizes	•••		35	140/
23	1st	Turkey Solids, a	ssorted sizes			100	140/
24	2nd	Ďo.	do_{\bullet}			100	110/
25	1st	Flat Saddle, ass	orted sizes	•••		50	190/
26	1st	Do.	do.			30	120/
27	2nd	Do.	do.	•••		50	130/
28	2nd	Do.	do.			30	80/

BROWN TURKEY SPONGES.

				Pieces in	Price
. Qity.				case.	case.
1st	Finest selected, as	sorted sizes		130	90/
1st	Do.	do.		70	55/
2nd	Superior quality	do.		130	63/
2nd	Do.	do.		70	40/
3rd	Slate quality	do.	•••	300	25/
	1st $2nd$ $2nd$	1st Finest selected, as 1st Do. 2nd Superior quality	1st Finest selected, assorted sizes 1st Do. do. 2nd Superior quality do. 2nd Do. do.	lst Finest selected, assorted sizes 1st Do. do 2nd Superior quality do 2nd Do. do	1st Finest selected, assorted sizes 130 1st Do. do. 70 2nd Superior quality do. 130 2nd Do. do. 70

FINE EGYPTIAN SPONGES.

	r ver	y good-rooking	and cheap kii	in or	Time	T 0110
Spo	nge;	very durable, an	d soft when wet	ted.		
-	υ.	•			ieces in	Price
No.	Qlty.				case.	case.
34	1st	Finest selected,	assorted sizes		110	100/
35	1st	Do.	do.		210	70/
36	2nd	Good quality	do.	•••	110	807
37	2nd	Do.	do.		210	551

Florida Sponges on Strings.

			P	ieces.	Per string.				Pieces	Per string.
A	Finest Woo	ol, Bath sizes		12	30/	J	Finest Velvet	, Bath sizes	 12	25/
\mathbf{B}	Do.	do.		12	24/	K	\mathbf{Do}_{ullet}	do.	 12	20/
\mathbf{C}	Do.	do.		12	20/	L	Do.	medium sizes	 15	18/
D	Do.	medium sizes		15	22/	M	Do.	do.	 15	16/
\mathbf{E}	Do.	do.		15	15/	N	Do.	do	 15	12/
F	Do.	do.		15	10/	0	Do_{ullet}	do.	 15	9/
\mathbf{H}	Do.	medium small		15	7/6	P	Do_{ullet}	medium small	 15	7/
I	Do.	do.	•••	15	5/	Q	Do.	do.	 15	4/6

Florida Sponges in Cases.

			:	Pieces,	Price case.				1	Pieces.	Price case.
FA	Finest Toilet	and Bath		150	75/	FD	Finest Toilet	and Bath		100	150/
FB							Do.				
\mathbf{FC}	_	do.									,

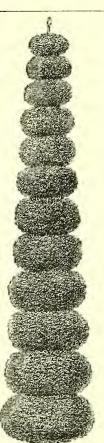
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We hold the largest stock in Europe of these goods, and can quote exceptionally low prices.

Finest Wool	•••		•••	•••		•••			•••	•••	from	4/6 to 7/
Finest Velvet	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	•••			•••	**	4/ to 6/6
Finest Yellow	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	,,	1/6 to 2/6
Finest Grass	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	**	1/6 to 2/6
Finest Fine Ree		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	11	3/ to 6/
Finest Hardhead	1	•••	•••	.,.	* 4.9	****	•••	•••	•••	•••	**	2/ to 5/
Finest Glove	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••		•••	•••	•••	•••	**	1/ to $2/6$

** Commoner qualities at all prices.

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Sponges on Strings.

The Strings of Sponges, for which we quote below, are put in a form which will facilitate the trade of wholesale and general buyers considerably. They are compact, of excellent value, and well adapted for display.

HONEY-COMB SPONGES ON STRINGS.

N	^						n eac									Per ring.
- 1		Best :	Toilet	Honey	-comb.	1st quality,		piece	8	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	12/
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	4	,,	,,		,,	,,	18	,,	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	• • •	•••	30/
	5	,,	_ ".		,,	**	12	,,,	• • •	•••	•••	• • •	•••	• • •	•••	27/
	6	,,	Bath		**	"	12	,,	•••	•••	•• 1	•••	•••	•••	•••	36/
	7	"	,,		,,	**	12	,,	•••	•••		•••	•••	•••	• • •	48
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1		,,	77	19	"	**	18	"	• • •	• • •	•••	• • •	•••	•••	•••	18/
1		9.1	Bath	,,	,,	"	13	,,	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	27/ 36/
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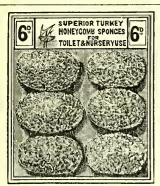
FINE TURKEY SPONGES ON STRINGS.

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	24	lst	,,	,,	,,		12	24/	38	1st	,,	"	,	,	,,	25	24/
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	29	1st	**	"	٠,		12	84/	43	Good	l Fine	e Turkey	Solids	•••	•••	25	9/
	30	2nd	Good	,,	,,		12	15/	44	,,		,,	,,		•••	25	12/
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	33	2nd	,,	,,	"		12	40/	47	,,		,,	,,	•••		25	33/
	34	2nd	"	,,	"	•••	12	50/ .	48	,,		,,	,,		•••	25	39/
2	35	2nd	,,	,,	"		12	60/	49	,,		,,	,,	•••	•••	25	48/
	36	2nd	,,	"	"		12	72/	1								
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FINE EGYPTIAN SPONGES ON SIRINGS.

														string.
50 Best E	Egyptian,	20 pie	ces on e	ach string		• • •	•••	•••		• • •		• • •	•••	6/
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				_]	Per doz.	Cards.									Per doz	. Cards
Superior	r 1d. Hou	ey-comb	School,	1 doz. o	on car	d		7/	Superi			key		1 doz.	on card			7/
,,	2d.	,,	Toilet	,,	,,			14/	,,	2d		,,	Toilet	,,	,,	• • • •	•••	14/
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ASSORTED SIZES.

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	shapes, of superior texture about 25	5/
	Special Bath shapes and sizes 7 to 12 32/ & 35	5/
2	Best Toilet shapes, fine and strong	′
	texture about 25 25	/
	Special Bath shapes and sizes 7 to 12 28	
:	Ordinary Bath shapes, good and	,
	fine texture about 18	71
4	Good large Cuts, for Carriage,	,
	Household, and Stable use ,, 16	1/
	Superior Cuts for Bath & Toilet use ,, 16	
	Medium sizes for general cleaning	,
	purposes , 40 12	2/
	Sup. sml.shapes for Nursery use, &c. , 72	
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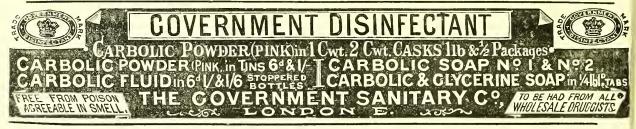
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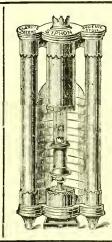
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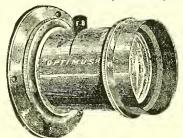
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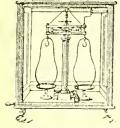
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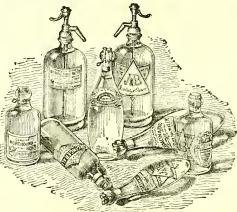
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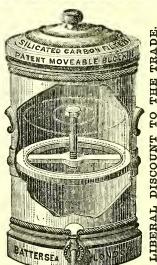
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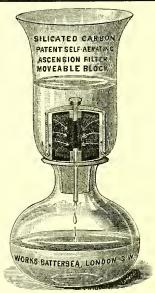
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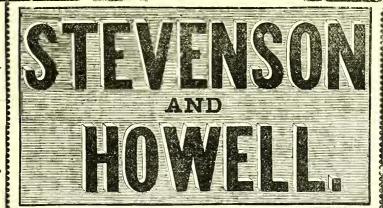
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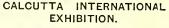
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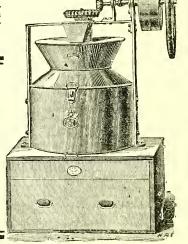
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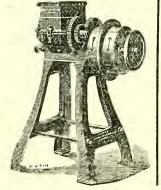
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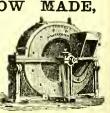
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ALFRED LOWE.

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JOHN ROWE.

FOWEY, CORNWALL,

Jan. 1, 1886.

I have always found a ready sale for your Teas, and they are much appreciated by all my customers. I sell double the quantity I did at

J. WELLINGTON.

HERNE HILL, S.E.

Jan. 6, 1886.

EAST.

GREAT YARMOUTH, Dec. 31, 1885.

It is now above four years' since commenced to sell your "London 1 commenced to sell your Teas," and 1 must confess that when 1 ordered the first half chest I did not expect to sell it, but am now pleased to be able to say that it sold without difficulty, and created a demand that has ever since been increasing, and has far exceeded my most sanguine expectatious.
W. SHEPPARD POLL.

GRIMSBY, Dec. 30, 1885.

I have been a retailer of packet teas thirty-two years, but was never able to give my customers such good able to give my customers such good value for their money before as I bave been since I accepted your Agency, upwards of four years ago, I have never had the slightest complaint respecting your Teas, but

customers are constantly saying they are the best Teas to be bad in the town ENOCH PALMER.

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I accepted the Agency for this district about twelve months ago, since which time the sale has gone on steadily increasing. Some of my customers say that the London 2/per annum. I am daily receiving per annum. I am daily receiving gratifying testimonials of the superior quality, blend, and flavour of the "London Teas."

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EDWARD J. EATON.

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as you are aware, I now order from
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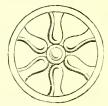
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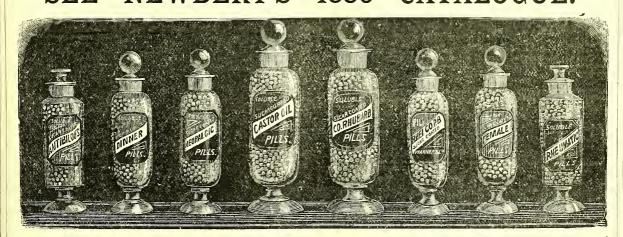
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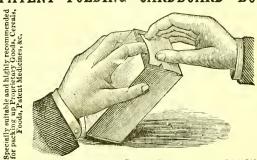
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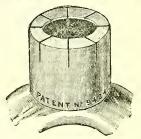
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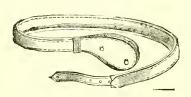
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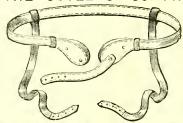
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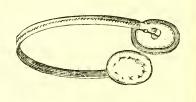
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ADVERTISEMENTS of employers and assistants can now be received by us up to the first post on Friday mornings, and will be inserted in the current week's issue.

READING CASES.—Please note: We cannot continue to deliver these to City houses for enclosure. We find so many of the wholesale firms careless about enclosures, and this leads to so much troublesome correspondence and double work, that we have decided to supply these reading cases only to purchasers in the office at 1s., or by parcels post at

THE CHEMISTS' AND DRUGGISTS' DIARY FOR 1887 should be delivered to all subscribers within a few days of this notice. The copies will be delivered throughout the United Kingdom either by Sutton or by Parcels Post, and in no case should any charge be made. If any of Sutton's agents demand any payment, subscribers will please pay it, take a receipt, and send this to us, when the amount will be refunded. To subscribers whose term of subscription expires with November the Diary will be sent immediately on renewal. We are aware that the large majority will renew their subscriptions, but it would confuse our books too much to make exceptions, so we must ask them to excuse this day or two's delay.

POST CARD COMPETITION No. 8.—Subscribers and their assistants are reminded that the period for sending in details of chemical experiments expires on the 30th inst. Parti-

culars of this competition will be found in recent numbers. The five guineas suggested will be awarded.

THE SCOTTISH MEMBERS of the Pharmaceutical Society had a meeting this week, a report of which will be found in our Provincial News. It appears to have been a very tame affair, and the meeting agreed without enthusiasm to the Council's resolutions.

THE MEDICAL COUNCIL have sanctioned the appointment of Professor Attfield, F.R.S., as Reporter on the British Pharmacopæia. He will prepare annual reports of pharmaceutical work bearing on Pharmacopæia processes, and these will furnish material and references for a future revision.

THE SHOP HOURS BILL.—The voting-papers issued with our last number are not being returned so freely as we could We were urged in many quarters to canvass the trade on the subject, and it is to be hoped that we shall get a fairly full expression of opinion. Subscribers will find that the journal will not be injured by the removal of the sheet on which the voting-paper was printed. We were compelled to page it on with the other matter to satisfy the officials of the Post Office. Chemists will much oblige by sending us their votes either for or against the Bill; or they may send the paper back blank, but signed, to indicate neutrality.

MR. THOMAS BARCLAY, as President of the Midland Counties Chemists' Association, has made the speech of the week in pharmaceutical history. He has with much industry compiled from first-hand sources a conspectus of the condition of pharmaceutical education in the provinces, which is not cheering; and, based on a consideration of the circumstances of the trade, he has drawn out a scheme for a sort of home-rule curriculum, which he puts in competition with that of the Pharmaceutical Council. It will be recognised that Mr. Barclay has placed before chemists the framework of an excellent method for training apprentices, which may be adopted voluntarily at once with much advantage. But he skims lightly over the question, which he nevertheless begs, whether the enforcement of his own or any other scheme is worth agitating for at the present time.

DIARY FOR NEXT WEEK.

Monday, November 29.

Public sales of einnamon, at the Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing Lane, at 11 A.M.

Society of Arts, Cantor Lecture, on "Principles and Practice of Ornamental Design," by W. L. Foreman Day.

Tuesday, November 30.

Public sales of drysalteries, at the Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing Lane, at 1 P.M.

Public sales of cinchona bark, at 6 Mincing Lane, at 1 P.M.

Wednesday, December 1.

Public sales of spices, at the Commercial Sale Rooms,

Mineing Lane, at noon.

Chemists' Assistants' Association, 103 Great Russell Street, W.C., Dr. H. Macnaughton Jones on "Pasteur's work in relation to Zymosis and Antiseptics." Chair at 9 o'elock.

Society of Arts (ordinary meeting), Discussion on Dr. C. Meymott Tidy's paper (read last session) on "Sewage Disposal.

Thursday, December 2.

Public sales of varnish gums, at the Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing Lane, at 11.30 A.M.

Public sales of acacia gums, at the Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing Lane, at 2 P.M.

Linnean Society of London, Burlington House, W., meeting at 8 P.M.—(1) On the Lochleven Trout, by Dr. Francis Day. (2) Herman's Ceylon Herbarium, and Linnæus's Flora Zeylanica, by Dr. H. Trimen. (3) New species of *Brachyonychus* from Mergui, by Henry W. Bates.

Chemical Society at 8 P.M.

Metropolitan Reports.

THE PHARMACEUTICAL FOOTBALL CLUB met the Britannia in Finsbury Park on Saturday last, the match resulting in a draw, the P. F. C. having two goals and two trics to one touch-down. The club will meet the Dental Hospital team on Primrose Hill to-day.

FIRE IN A PHARMACY.—On Friday evening, November 19, a fire broke out on the premises of Mr. W. J. Williams, chemist, 123 Cannon Street. The front basement with the contents were damaged by fire and water, and the upper part of the house and stock were also damaged by smoke. The cause of the outbreak is unknown.

MILK AND NOXIOUS GASES.—At the Guildhall, on Friday, Leon Napoleon Loab was fined 5l. and 2s. eosts for creating a dangerous nuisance in St. Michael's House, Church Passage, Basinghall Street, by allowing the escape of some noxious chemical effluvium (supposed to be nitrous oxide gas), whereby the goods of a neighbouring milk-seller were contaminated, and the public health endangered.

THE CHARGE AGAINST CHEMICAL BROKERS.—At the Mansion House, on Friday last, Mr. John Angus, a chemical broker, and Mr. Stephen Raphalovitch, his manager, again attended before Alderman Sir Andrew Lusk on the charge, that has been previously referred to. Further evidence was called on the part of the prosecution. Mr. Willis (for the defence) said that an account would be prepared by the defendants showing how the money had been applied, and in order that this might be done he asked for a further adjournment. Sir Andrew Lusk accordingly again adjourned the case.

THE HOP BITTERS COMPANY (LIMITED) v. DIGBY.—At the High Court of Justice (Chancery division) last week, an application was made for an injunction to restrain the defendant from publishing statements that the plaintiff company were not the original manufacturers of hop bitters, and from stating that the company had stolen the recipe—from, in effect, slandering the plaintiffs' title, and thus causing great injury to their business. Mr. G. Hastings, Q.C., and Mr. Swynfen Eady were for the plaintiff company. No one appeared for the defendant. Mr. Justice Stirling said the evidence was clear, and he would grant the order asked for until the trial of the action or further order.

A New and Deadly Poison (!)—At the Lambeth Police Court, on Saturday last, a female asked for assistance against parties who, she alleged, had threatened her. The applicant, who had previously made complaints, in the course of a conversation with the magistrate (Mr. Chance), said, "I have had an attempt made upon me to poison me. You may not bave heard of a poison ealled 'Varieties.' (Laughter.) It is no laughing matter, I can tell you." Mr. Chance: What is this particular poison? Applicant: There is not one doctor scarcely that knows its deadly effects. A dose or two will bring on apoplexy, epilepsy, madness, prostration, consumption, and death. (Loud laughter.) Mr. Chance: A terrible mixture. Do you know any victims of its powers, or have you tried it yourself? Applicant: I have not tried it yet. Mr. Chance; I hope you will not. Mr. Chance directed inquiries to be made about the applicant.

Poisoning with Laudanum.—On Tuesday Dr. Danford Tbomas, coroner, held an inquest in Clerkenwell as to the death of Myer H. Myers, aged 50, a publisher, lately residing at 72 Petherton Road, Canonbury, who died on Saturday last. Deceased was to have been tried on Tuesday at the Middlesex Sessions for infringing the rights of the Exchange Telegraph Company. From the evidence it appeared that he had suffered from a heart complaint for six years, he was very nervous, and was in the habit of taking laudanum. A son of the deceased last saw his father alive on Saturday morning, when he appeared very dozey, but nothing wrong was suspected. Dr. John Bowie, of Grosvenor Road, said deceased was hypochondiacal. He was called to his house on Saturday night, but he had expired. Death was due to an overdose of a narcotic, probably laudanum. The coroner said it was only right to tell the jury the deceased had been in great trouble lately. It was for them to say whether he

took the laudanum accidentally or feloniously. Eventually the jury returned a verdict of "Death from misadventure."

THE CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS' ASSOCIATION.—The annual conversazione and dance of this Association was held in the Portman Rooms, Baker Street, on Wednesday evening. The hour for assembling was seven o'clock; but, owing to the dense fog, it was fully an hour later before the majority of the guests arrived, and ultimately the assemblage numbered about four hundred ladies and gentlemen. In connection with the reunion an excellent, though small, exhibit of pharmaceutical novelties and relics had been got together by Messrs. Dymond and Saul, which was examined with much interest by the company. The exhibits, which also included microscopie demonstrations by Mr. J. F. Burnett, F.C.S, eomprised a collection of new and rare drugs by Messrs. T. Christy & Co.; a series of fine chemicals by Messrs. Hopkin & Williams, amongst which were exceptionally fine specimens of gelsemine hydroehlorate, crystallised urea, hyoseyamine, &c.; a varied eollection of drugs from the Pharmaceutical Society's museum; and photographic novelties from Messrs. Marion & Co. to illustrate the "new trade for chemists." The pharmaceutical relics were chiefly bibliograpbic, and contained, amongst other interesting items, the correspondence of Pereira with Guibourt; a curious chemist's bill (1685); "Catalogue of Druggs prepared by Silvanus and Timothy Bevan, in Plow Court;" Cost Price Book of Allen, Hanbury & Barry (1824); William Allen's Laboratory Calculation Book (1795); a table of weights and measures of date 1450; these with many others were lent by the Pharmaceutical Society. Mr. Joseph Ince contributed an original manuscript by Ambrose Godfrey Hanchwitz, Goulard's treatise on lead, &c. Several other gentlemen contributed to the collection, Mr. Saul showing autographs of leading pharmacists. The relies of ancient pharmacy commanded considerable attention. Amongst them was the large and elaborately figured bronze mortar which Louis XIV. presented to his apothecary, lent by Mr. J. Robbins; several beautiful and ancient apothecary's jars from Messrs. J. Bell & Co.; several of the same type from Professor Redwood; and a very old eollection of materia medica specimens supposed to be of date 1700. These were enclosed in euriously-shaped small glass jars capped with parchment, and many of the drugs are in a good state of preservation. The collection was from the Pharmaceutical Society's museum. From eight to halfpast ten an excellent programme of music and recitations was gone through in the concert-room, and was evidently greatly appreciated by the company. The singers were Misses Martin and Kirton, and Messrs. Bonetti, Myers, and Groome. Signor Luigi Arditi, jun., was pianoforte accompanyist. The recitations were rendered by Miss Ince and Mr. Watson. At a quarter to eleven dancing was commenced to the strains of Mr. Fleet's band, and was kept up to an early hour. The reunion was a great success in every respect, and much credit is due to the committee-Messrs. Millhouse, Dymond, Strother, Saul, and Phillips (hon. sec.) for the excellence of their arrangements.

Probincial Reports.

Items of news, and newspapers containing matters of interest to the trade, sent to the Editor, will much oblige.

BEDFORD.

THE POISONED BEER AND THE PUBLIC ANALYST.—A special meeting of the Bedford Town Council was held on Saturday last to consider the following letter from Dr. Stevenson, the analyst for the borough, to the Town Clerk:—

"45 Gresham Road, London, S.W., Nov. 15.
"Dear Sir,—I was startled on taking up *The Times* of the 10th inst. to read therein a paragraph obviously relating to myself and an analysis of beer. My concern for my assistants who, with myself, taste these articles of food, and drink, as in duty bound, was great; and I regret to add that one of them is supposed to have been poisoned by tasting some of the beer in question last Monday. What is termed in a letter in *The Times* of Thursday a ridiculous proceeding bas assumed

a very grave aspect, and what appears to have been conceived as a diabolical plot may prove to be a serious matter to others besides myself. I assume as a matter of course that the Food and Drugs Committee did not authorise the alleged trick. Into the circumstances under which the poison came to be overlooked (if I really received a poisoned article) I do not now enter; but I demand an explicit answer to the following questions:—1, The number of the sample of beer; 2, the name of the person who purchased it; 3, the name and address of the vendor; 4, the names of the persons giving instructions for the sophistication of the article; 5, the poison alleged to be added and its quantity; 6, whether the sample retained by the inspector has been submitted to further analysis (this should be done); 7, the names of those present when the sample was poisoned; 8, was the inspector aware of the trick when he delivered the sample to me? It may be necessary to take proceedings against those who have unlawfully used lethal weapons, or it may be that there was a fraudulent conspiracy.

"I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,
"Typonas Steve

THOMAS STEVENSON."

After the reading of this letter an inquiry was held by the council, in the presence of Dr. Stevenson, and an animated discussion took place for two hours and a half. First, a resolution was passed requiring the inspector under the Food and Drugs Act to produce his memoranda of the transaction and the samples of the beer that he had retained. This having been done it was ascertained that the Food and Drugs Committee duly instructed the inspector to procure six samples of beer from public-houses to represent as many brewers, and the inspector stated that he purchased one sample at the house of Mr. Councillor Taylor, who is a member of the committee. He could not say that he actually saw the beer drawn, but the person who supplied it did not leave the room in which it was served, and he saw no mixture out in it, nor any attempt to tamper with it. In fact, he bought it in the ordinary way, and he denied that he had any knowledge whatever that the beer had been interfered with. The committee did not instruct him as to where he was to purchase the sample, but he had been requested by an individual to take a sample from Mr. Taylor's house. This statement was confirmed by Mr. Taylor. The inspector further said that he delivered the samples personally to Dr. Stevenson.

In reply to Mr. Taylor, Dr. Stevenson said he personally examined some of the samples, but he could not say whether he examined the one in question until he knew its number.

The certificates returned by the analyst of the six samples were read, and in the case of one numbered 1,394 it was remarked that there was an excess of chloride equal to 51 grains common salt per gallon; but the analyst did not recommend a prosecution as he had not the history of the water from which the beer was brewed. In each of the other five cases the certificates stated that no change had taken place in the constitution of the article that would interfere with the analysis, and this was followed by the words, "I am of opinion that it is a genuine sample of beer." Mr. Piper moved that the inspector be asked to divulge the number of the sample purchased at Mr. Taylor's house. Mr. Taylor strenuously opposed this proposition, but after considerable debate it was earnied by ten votes to eight. The number was declared to be 1,899. It was then resolved that the sample in the possession of the Corporation be divided into halves in the presence of the Mayor, Dr. Stevenson, the Clerk to the Sanitary Authority, and Mr. Taylor: that one-half be sealed and kept by the Mayor, and that the other be taken by the clerk to Somerset House for analysis by an independent authority.

Dr. Stevenson pointed out that, assuming the sample had been added to, it was not necessarily an adulteration in the meaning of the Act. The Intoxicating Liquors Act (with which he had nothing to do) did prohibit the addition of certain substances to beer, but he was required to look for ordinary ingredients that were injurious to health. Very many poisons might be purposely added which would be of no advantage to the vendor, and might escape detection even after he had done all that he conceived to be his duty as a public analyst, unless an enormous quantity of beer was analysed, and a vast amount of time was occupied in the process

The questions numbered 1, 2, 3, 6, and 8 in Dr. Stevenson's le ter having been answered, it was decided that the remainder concerned Mr. Taylor alone, and were not for the Town Council to answer.

BUXTON.

FIRE AT MESSRS. THRESH'S.—Early on Monday morning a fire broke out in the house occupied by Messrs. J. C. & A. Thresh, chemists, Spring Gardens. The servants and assistants, who slept over the kitchen, which is on the second landing, were awakened by a strong smell of fire. Proceeding downstairs they discovered the building filled with smoke, and the kitchen floor and walls in a blaze. Immediately under the kitchen is the laboratory and dispensing department, which contained inflammable liquids, and but for the promptitude of the fire brigade and a strong force of water the whole building would have been destroyed. As it is, the destruction of property was considerable from fire and water, two rooms being gutted. The building, which was only lately purchased by Messrs. Thresh, is fully insured. The damage is estimated at between 300l. and 400l. Two valuable dogs were suffocated, and the inmates had a narrow escape.

CARMARTHEN.

A CHEMIST POISONED.—An inquest was held here on November 18 on the body of Mr. J. D. White, chemist, Carmarthen, who died from an overdose of laudanum. Mrs. White, the widow, said deceased was forty-nine years of age, and they had been married sixteen years. From the second week in July to September 26 he was a teetotaller, but on that Sunday night he said that, feeling very weak, he took a little brandy. He had since then taken some more. On Monday morning before he got up—about 7.30—he complained of being unwell. About five o'clock in the evening, when he came in to tea, she noticed his eyes looked rather heavy, and he said he would not have tea, but would go upstairs to bed. In half an hour she found him sleeping very heavily, and as she failed to waken him she called for medical assistance. Her husband remained junconscious until eight o'clock on Tuesday morning. On Tuesday evening Mr. David Morris said to him jocularly, "What made you take opium?" Her husband replied that he had no recollection of anything, and said that if he had taken it he must have thought he was taking water with his brandy. D. W. Evans, an apprentice, deposed to missing from the bottle in the shop 1 or 2 oz. of laudanum on Monday evening. Mr. J. Rowlands, F.R.C.S., stated that he had attended deceased, and believed that death was due to nervous shock or a second absorption of laudanum. The jury found that death resulted from the effects of an over-dosc of laudanum, accidentally taken.

DOWNPATRICK.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—Early on the morning of Nov. 17 a fire broke out in Market Street, whereby the premises of Mr. Shields, apothecary, and other business premises were entirely destroyed, the damage exceeding 6,000%. Mr. Shields has lost his entire stock-in-trade, ledger, and prescriptions. He was insured in the Northern Insurance Company.

HULL.

SUICIDE WITH LAUDANUM.

THE borough coroner (Mr. J. J. Thorney) held an inquest at the infirmary, last week, touching the death of Charles Hare, a fruiterer, who had died from the effects of poison.

Mr. Henry Preston, house-surgeon at the infirmary, gave evidence as to the condition of deceased when brought to the institution. He was in a comatose state from the effects of laudanum, and though various means were used for his recovery, he died about two days after his admission.

Charles Bush, employed as a chemist's assistant at 46 Waterworks Street, stated that deceased called at the shop and asked for sixpennyworth of laudanum to clean nuts. Witness said he never knew laudanum to be used for that purpose, and declined to serve him. Deceased then left the shop, returning about a quarter of an hour afterwards, and

now said that the laudanum was wanted for a horse, and witness served him. Deccased returned again about ten minutes afterwards, when he said to witness, "I have taken that stuff; will it 'croak' me?" Witness answered, "If you have been fool enough to take it you will 'croak.'" He went out to get a policeman, and meanwhile deceased escaped from the shop. He never saw deceased afterwards.

Corroborative evidence having been given, the jury returned a verdict of "Suicide while temporarily insane," and reprimanded the witness Bush for not using sufficient discretion when issuing the poison.

ILFRACOMBE.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—On Friday, November 17, Emma Kennedy, a married woman, residing at Lee, near Ilfracombe, was charged with having attempted to commit suicide on the 14th by taking a certain liniment containing belladonna and laudanum. Mr. H. R. Foquett, surgeon, stated that on Sunday night he went to prisoner's house, where he found her in a semi-conscious condition, sitting in a chair, and it appeared to him that she was suffering from the effects of poison. He applied an emetic, which acted freely, and she eventually recovered. The liniment appeared to contain laudanum, belladonna, and camphor. After some further evidence prisoner was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions at Exeter.

LIVERPOOL.

A DRUGGISTS' CONCERT.—The workpeople in the employ of Messrs. Evans, Sons & Co. last Tuesday held the first of a series of Social Winter Evenings for the present season, the chair being occupied by Mr. John J. Evans, one of the firm. The meeting was held in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, Mount Pleasant, where about 250 of the workmen and workwomen assembled to listen to an excellent programme, consisting of instrumental music, songs, recitations, &c. Four songs in character, capitally rendered by Mr. Arthur E. Evans, and the remainder of the performance by Messrs. Spring, Clegg, Hughes, Manley, Brinson, Jackson, and Shacklady, were listened to throughout with lively enthusiasm. The chairman in his opening remarks expressed his gratification at being present at a gathering so well calculated to foster right feeling and to encourage a spirit of kindliness and mutual interest among those who had met together.

SUICIDE WITH CARBOLIC ACID.—Last Sunday night, Alexander Fraser Dick, aged 45, manager of a public-house in Athol Street, committed suicide by taking a glassful of crude carbolic acid.

PLYMOUTH.

STRANGE DEALINGS WITH POISON.

MR. T. C. BRIAN, the borough coroner, held an inquest on November 17, on the body of Charles Windeatt Bovey, rate-collector for St. Andrew's Ward, who had committed suicide that morning by taking prussic acid. Mr. Charles Edward Bean, surgeon, stated that he was called to deceased's residence at 520, and found him in an armchair quite dead, but still warm. At the request of the coroner he had made a postmortem examination and found that although there was evidence of the evil results of alcoholism, he had no doubt that death resulted from the excessive amount of prussic acid which had been taken. Deceased's widow and other witnesses having given evidence which tended to show that he was overworked, John Hill (a chemist's assistant at Row & Co.'s, 84 Fore Street, Devonport) stated that on October 4 he sold half an ounce of prussic acid to Mr. G. M. Trevaskis, a chemist and druggist, who wanted the poison to destroy a dog. Mr. Trevaskis was not employed at an establishment, but he used to be in business in Union Street. The sale was duly entered in a book according to Act of Parliament. They rarely sold the poison at all. They supplied Trevaskis with various kinds of medicine.

Several jurymen were of opinion that Mr. Trevaskis should be examined as a witness. The Foreman said one of the jury would be able to prove that Mr. Trevaskis had stated that he gave deceased prussic acid.

The Coroner said if that was the case he would examine the juror.

John Argall Batten: 1 know Mr. Trevaskis, the chemist, very well. He came into my shop to-day. He referred to the death of Mr. Bovey, and said he supplied him with some prussic acid some time since to poison a dog.

John Hill, recalled, was further examined as to whether

Trevaskis was entitled to sell the poison.

Mr. Gray said that Mr. Trevaskis, a chemist, had got a poison supplied to him because he was a chemist, and surely he had no right to dispose of it to a third party without there being an entry in his book that he had done so.

The Coroner: It is not our province to inquire into that. We can only censure him for having done such a thing, and if he has committed an illegal act it is the duty of others to

take the case up.

The Coroner having summed up, the public (and the Coroner, at the request of the jury) retired, and ten minutes later the foreman announced that they had agreed "that Mr. Charles Windeatt Bovey committed suicide by taking prussic acid whilst in a temporary fit of insauity." The following rider was also brought in :- "The jury wish the coroner to caution Mr. Trevaskis from supplying such large quantities of poison to private persons.

The Coroner: But we have no evidence that he did supply a large quantity. Some of the prussic acid might have been taken out of the bottle between the time Mr. Trevaskishad it and his supplying it to deceased. If the word "large" is withdrawn I will communicate with Mr. Trevaskis.

The Foreman said the jury quite agreed to that sug-

SOUTH SHIELDS.

AN OVERDOSE.—At Westoc, on November 19, Mrs. Mary Green, widow of a banker, accidentally took an overdose of chlorodyne, from the effects of which she died in the course of the day.

STOURBRIDGE.

THE SHOP HOURS BILL.—The following announcement has been published by placard:—"Anticipating the 'Shop Hours Bill' coming into operation at an early date, and to prepare our friends for the change, we have decided to open our shops on Sunday in future in the evening only, from 5 to 6 o'clock, commencing on Sunday, December 5 next; and to close on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at half-past 8 o'clock R. G. Jones. from this date. G. Greenwood." "November 23, 1836.

SCOTLAND.

ABERDEEN.

THE BALLS.—The Chemists' Assistants' and Apprentices' Association have resolved to hold their fourth annual ball this winter. They have declined a suggestion from the masters to amalgamate in this matter of dancing, "having found from experience that it is more enjoyable to have a separate ball." That decision, and the reason for it, shows that the masters in Aberdeen are still formidable rivals in a ball room.

ARBROATH.

CHEMISTS' APPRENTICES' AND ASSISTANTS' ASSOCIATION -A meeting of this Association was held last week, when the following office-bearers were elected, viz., Mr. J. Robertson, President; Mr. J. Smith, Treasurer and Secretary Mr. W. Jack, Librarian.

EDINBURGH.

A NEW CLUB.—The latest club which has been started in this city of old professional coteries is "The Innominate Club." Its object is to provide students of the university with the opportunity of securing in their studies the ad vantages which are commanded by co-operation. Edinburg students have long enjoyed the benefits of social, literary and political clubs. The principal feature of the new on will be a conjoint system of note taking. A complete set o

notes of each professor's lectures will be arranged by competent workers, and copies of these will be multiplied and a permanent circulating library started. It is also proposed to institute a system of revisal or tutorial classes, to be conducted by senior students, who have volunteered their services without salary.

DISPENSING CHARGES.—A firm trading as druggists at 49 Leith Walk, and understood to be unqualified, but of a "limited" nature, in announcing that they are prepared to dispense prescriptions, state that their prices range from 25 to 50 per cent. below those of the Edinburgh chemists retail price list, and that their charges are strictly in accordance with the principles of the Edinburgh chemists' list, and are not based upon the cost of the ingredients, which may easily vary at the vendor's pleasure.

PRICES.—A meeting of chemists in business in Edinburgh and Leith, called by the local price-list committee, was held on Tuesday evening in the Pharmaceutical Society's house, York Place, for the discussion of questions relating to prices and relative matters. There was a large attendance, and the meeting was harmonious. None of the squalls which swept over the corresponding meeting last year threatened to upset the equanimity of this one. A few dissatisfied spirits spoke some hard words, but chiefly in regard to the apparently inoperative nature of the Pharmacy Act in certain quarters. The meeting, after some interchange of opinions, agreed to give the price-list committee certain discretionary powers to make some alterations and such reductions in prices as might be considered advisable owing to the present low market prices which ruled for many drugs.

THE NORTH BRITISH BRANCH AND THE PHARMACEUTI-CAL SOCIETY.—A meeting of the members and associates in business of the Pharmaceutical Society resident in Scotland was held in the Society's house, 36 York Place, on Wednesday afternoon, at two o'clock. The circulars calling the meeting were sent out by the assistant secretary, and were signed by Mr. James Watt, convener of the deputation which, at a previous meeting, had been appointed to confer with the Council in regard to Scottish affairs.

When the hour of meeting arrived about 20 gentlemen were in attendance, the following being present:—Messrs. W. Gilmour, Ainslie, Stephenson, Baildon, Clark, Mackenzie, Boa, Dott, Noble, Laird, Henry, McLaren, MacPherson, and J. R. Young, Edinburgh; Mr. Watt, Haddington; Mr. Storrar, Kirkcaldy; Messrs. Foster and Kinninmont, Glasgow; Coats, Leith; Coates, Edinburgh.—On the motion of Mr. AINSLIE, Mr. WATT took the chair, and, after the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, he made a few introductory remarks regarding the object of the meeting. He expressed satisfaction at the courteous manner in which the Council had received the deputation. Having read several letters of apology from country members—mostly in favour of accepting the resolutions regarding the North British Branch—he asked Mr. Storrar, who had acted as secretary to the deputation, to read the report which the deputation had to submit in reference to their conference with the Council of the Society. The report stated that they had met the Cocncil in a give and take spirit, which he thought had been fair on both sides. The deputation had not got all that it wanted, but nearly all, and in some things they had got more than they asked.

Mr. BAILDON gave a short résumé of the proceedings in

the Council in regard to the negotiations.

Mr. MACKENZIE expressed his inability to comprehend the definition of the North British Branch as it was laid down in the resolutions, and he thought there should be something nore explicit regarding the appointment of secretary. There vas a want of logical lucidity about these two resolutions, and he could not accept them.

Mr. STORRAR said he sympathised with Mr. Mackenzie, out he was of opinion that if he waited till he got a logical cttlement of the question he would wait till doomsday.

Mr. NISBET said he thought the resolutions of the Council hould be adopted. The titles were the only thing really st, and it would be ungracious to quibble about them when neir wants had been so fairly met in other respects. He lought there might be some inconvenience experienced om the combination of chairman and treasurer in one. It ould be wise to have them separate. The treasurer would need to be resident in Edinburgh. They might want to have a chairman from Haddington, or Kirkcaldy, or Glasgow, or any provincial town. He moved that the meeting adopt the deputation's report.

Mr. GILMOUR agreed with Mr. Nisbet's remarks. The smallness of the meeting was, he thought, an indication that there was a feeling of satisfaction in the trade. He had

pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report.

Mr. J. B. STEPHENSON said he had no desire to divide the meeting, as it seemed to be favourable to the resolutions. He could not, however, see that the proposed arrangement would be any more legal than the former one. The Council had no power to delegate the performance of its duties. He deprecated the abolition of the terms "president" and "vice-president," which had existed for thirty years. The result was a degraded title. It was a wanton proceeding to abolish the old system, which, he said, had done good work; but he feared, in any protest which he might make, he was like a voice crying in the wilderness.

Mr. C. F. HENRY expressed dissatisfaction that the president and vice-president of the Society should be members of the Scottish executive ex officio, and he thought an effort

should be made to retain the titles.

Mr. MACKENZIE submitted a motion (which was seconded by Mr. HENRY) to the effect that it was regretted that the Council did not see its way to grant a continuance of the titles "president" and "vice-president"; and that it be suggested that the executive have power to appoint a treasurer from their number other than the chairman, and also to nominate the Scottish secretary; but eventually

The following resolution (moved by Mr. NISBET and seconded by Mr. GILMOUR) was unanimously agreed to:-

That this meeting agrees generally with the resolutions come to by the Council of the Society as to the future management of the Society's affairs in Scotland, and thanks the Council for the time and consideration they have devoted to the subject.

A committee was then appointed, consisting of Messrs. Mackenzie, Dott, Nisbet, Henry, and Gilmour-Mr. Mackenzie to be convener.

Mr. MACKENZIE moved the re-election of the present board of examiners for Scotland.

Mr. HENRY seconded the motion, which was agreed to

Mr. McLaren moved a vote of thanks to the deputation. Mr. Baildon seconded this, and said he knew something of the trouble the deputation had had, and also the admirable way in which they had conducted their part of the negotia-

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

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PARTNERSHIPS DISSOLVED.

KEARNE, RICHARDS & Co., St. Helens, chemical manufacturers.

RODEN & FAYRER, Droitwich, physicians.

SHARPE, DRACUP & FLATHER, Bradford, mineral water manufacturers and mannfacturing chemists.

TILLOTSON BROS., Barnley, druggists and drysalters.

FIRST MEETING AND PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Margerson, James Francis, Halesworth, Siffolk, chemist and druggist and dentist. Dec. 3, Official Receiver's Office, Norwich. Nov. 30, Town Hall, Great Yarmonth.

ADJUDICATIONS.

MARGETSON, JAMES FRANCIS, Halesworth, Suffolk, chemist and druggist and dentist.

Watson, John Douglas, Lurline Gardens, Battersca Park (late of Victoria Road, Battersea Park, and formerly of Cordeirus, Chalford, Gloucestershire), snrgeon.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.

WITHERS, HENRY COOKE, Norwich and Haigham, Norfolk, drysalter. First and final div. of 4s. 1d., on and after Der. 1. Mr. H. P. Gon'd's 8 King Street, Norwich.

PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION.

BY THOMAS BARCLAY.

[The following address on "Pharmacy in the Provinces, with special reference to Education," was delivered by Mr. Barclay, as president, at a meeting of the Midland Counties Chemists' Association, held in the Grand Hotel, Birmingham, on Tuesday evening. There were about sixty members present, in response to a special request, which asked for a large attendance, so that there might be obtained "an authoritative expression of opinion that might serve with others either to strengthen or stay the attempts of the Society's Council in regard to this matter of education." The address, as will be seen from the discussion, was very favourably received.

IT was only at the beginning of last year that we met to hear the admirable address of Professor Redwood: we were then making a fresh attempt to form classes under highly favourable conditions: a large number of students had presented themselves for tuition, and teachers of recognised ability were induced to undertake the work. We little thought that in so short a time we should have again to face the educational problem, but at the annual meeting recently held the teachers reported that the number prepared to enter the classes for the coming session was so small that they wished to take the opinion of the meeting as to whether they should continue their work. The matter was then discussed, and it was decided to leave it in the hands of the officers and teachers. We met together, and, after giving the question full consideration, it was agreed that I, as President of the Association, should bring the whole subject before you in the shape of an inaugural address.

In acceding to their wishes I knew that I was taking a very bold step, because so many able men had traversed the ground before me, notably Professor Attfield, who has made the subject his own, and whose services in the cause of pharmaceutical education cannot be over-estimated; the names of Mr. Carteighe, President of the Pharmaceutical Society, Mr. Greenish, and Mr. Schacht also, amongst others, deserve special mention. I felt that the subject was so hackneyed by its frequent discussion in the Council, and by the continued correspondence in the pages of the journals, that it would be difficult to say anything new or to throw

any light upon it.

To gain as much precise information as possible, I issued to representative pharmacists in the most important centres of Great Britain a number of formal questions, asking for information as to whether they had any classes specially set apart for students of pharmacy; how long they had been established, and whether continuously; the qualifications of their teachers; the number that had entered for the present session; what fees were charged; and whether any subsidy was received from the Pharmaceutical Society, &c. One hundred and twenty-five papers were sent out, and 104 replies have been received. I wish to take this opportunity of thanking those gentlemen who have assisted me so readily at such short notice. Many of them did not confine their replies to the questions, but gave most useful information respecting the state of general technical education and of pharmaey in their district. The information so given I have made use of in the preparation of this address, for the question of education is so bound up with the condition of the chemist in business, that to consider the one it is absolutely necessary to think of the other. At this stage it is only fair, both to the teachers and students of our Association, to state that the miserable condition of the classes in Birmingham is not exceptional; for, in answer to inquiries, I can only find throughout the whole of Great Britain that about 240 students have entered classes this session for pharmaceutical education: consequently it is no use blaming either the one or the other. We must therefore look farther afield to discover the cause of failure.

PROVINCIAL PHARMACEUTICAL ORGANISATION.

From the 104 replies I find that, in addition to the large number of smaller towns and villages which were not communicated with—knowing that it would be useless doing so—there are 86 places out of the 104 at present devoid of special provision for pharmaceutical education, including Bristol, Oxford, Cambridge. Exeter, Hull, Northampton,

Brighton, Glasgow, Salisbury, York, Cheltenham, Norwich, Derby, Bradford, Bolton, Dover, Huddersfield, and Sunderland. In several of these towns attempts have been made from time to time to establish classes, which have been earried on spasmodically with more or less success, as the following letters, selected from others, illustrate:—

"In reply to your queries, our local association has been dormant for two or three years, but we intend to revive it this winter. Formerly we had a large membership, and went on flourishingly; but from many causes the whole collapsed, or rather became dormant. When there are a few men amongst the assistants who take a lively interest in the business things go on well; but, if these active men leave the town, or go into the ranks of masters, the attendance falls off. This has been the case with us on repeated occasions, but I hope that we shall have a revival with new men this time."

They seem, like ourselves, to have another crisis in their history, but, with Micawber, they take it very philosophically, and are waiting for "something to turn up."

Another says :--

"There was a class here for the purpose of helping apprentices and assistants some years ago: there was also a special room provided with a good loan library and apparatus, but it was found that very few of the persons for whose benefit it was established took any interest in it, and the affair entirely collapsed ten years ago. The collapse was entirely due to the indifference of the students to this means of education, for the fees were merely nominal."

Another says:

"Our Association has existed for about twenty-five years. We meet yearly to elect officers to do nothing, and vote thanks to them for their services. Some eighteen years ago we established a reading room, fairly well supplied with periodicals and books. We also provided teachers to prepare the students for their examinations, for which we charged 7s. 6d. per annum, making up the deficiency out of the funds of the Association. This worked very well for the first year, and died before the close of the second. The assistants in the course of a few years took up the question, and for a while all went on regularly; but after two sessions, there could none be found to attend the lectures, and a meeting was called for the purpose of dissolving the Association and disposing of its property. I induced them to adjourn the meeting for two years, give up the room they occupied, and put the property in a place of safety. This was done, and last year, it being found impossible to cause any interest to be taken in the work, it was resolved to dispose of the property, and this has recently been done."

In some of these towns the apprentices and assistants take advantage of the Science and Art and other classes connected with public institutions.

Another correspondent writes, in answer to the question whether there were any classes for pharmaceutical students:—

"None; but there is, I believe, a good deal of scientific billiardplaying. It seems to me there is a tendency to leave everything to the universal postal and personal crammer who is so successful in working miracles upon the untutored brain."

In other places the condition of pharmaccutical educatior is generally at a very low ebb, although very much credit it due to the noble band of workers who, un fer the most trying circumstances, keep the light of education burning. In somplaces it will be noticed that fresh attempts have beer recently made, and those engaged are, as we were last year very sanguine as to the result; but, without taking mucl credit to myself for being a prophet, I can safely predict tha if the present condition of things continues, inevitable failur must follow sooner or later.

In one large Northern centre my correspondent writes:—
"Our local association has been in what may be called hybernating condition for some time past, and has only bee kept alive by the determination of some half-dozen or so ous. We used to have lectures and classes in connection wit

our association, which for two or three sessions were fair well attended, but soon became smaller and beautifully les Classes are now carried on by private enterprise. We do no rent any premises at present, and have no laboratory." lls

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At another the same condition exactly obtains, the teaching is now in the hands of a private tutor, but is partially under the control of the local chemists; the laboratory and rooms, however, do not belong to them. In Leeds the education is obtained through the Yorkshire College, Mechanics' Institute, and Literary Association, further assisted by Mr. Elborne, of the Owens College, Manchester; 17 students have entered this session.

In Sheffield the school has been revived. My correspondent says:—

"It is the second year of the School of Pharmacy. The teachers are Minor and Major men in business. We had a grant from the Pharmaceutical Society of 257, last year. The fees are from 7s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. each for the entire course of eight months, or 30s. inclusive."

I feel personally interested in the account of the condition of pharmacy in Newcastle-on-Tyne, for it was there, when an apprentice, that I attended the classes then held by Mr. H. B. Brady, F.R.S., Mr. Barnard S. Proctor, and others. From Newcastle my correspondent writes:—

"The classes have been revived, and those now carried on have been established one year. The premises are rented at 32/. per annum. The laboratory is in the Durham College of Science. The teachers are pharmaceutical chemists. Ten students have entered for the present session; 26 last session. The fees charged are one guinea for each subject, and three guineas for the laboratory; 50/. has been received as a grant from the Pharmaceutical Society."

At Nottingham I hear the course of lectures and laboratory practice are in connection with the University College. The chemists have a room in which they have a library and a collection of materia medica specimens. Instruction is given there in materia medica and pharmacy by one of their own members.

At Owens College, Manchester, the authorities, on their own account, and "without the advice, request, or assistance of pharmacists," took up the subject of pharmaceutical education, and arranged a course of instruction to extend over two years, six months in each year, for day or evening classes; but the average attendance each year has been much below what was expected. The reason is said to be that the course is too elaborate. I believe this is the only provincial college of any note which has, by its own action, made special provision for pharmaceutical students.

From Edinburgh I hear:-

"At various times attempts to conduct, exclusively, pharmaceutical classes have been made both by the Council of the North British Branch and by private adventure, but they have not succeeded. The local chemists as such have nothing whatever to do with education. Tutorial Classes have been in existence continuously for about five years, but exclusively pharmaceutical ones for about two years. The premises of the society, including laboratory, can be used for pharmaceutical purposes by a teacher, and lecturers have ample accommodation. None of the lecturers in the School of Medicine are, or have been, pharmacists. By far the most successful classes are conducted by a pharmaceutical chemist, who is recognised by the University Court as a teacher of practical pharmacy, and whose certificates are accepted by the Senatus. His classes have improved rapidly, for many now avail themselves of tutorial classes who used to study privately, although the number attending classes in Edinburgh until within about two years ago rarely reached a dozen in all."

PHARMACY AS A BUSINESS.

Now, gentlemen, the picture of Pharmaceutical Education in the Provinces is before you. I have not attempted to describe the condition of the schools in London, for it is there that the students are driven by stress of circumstances, whether they like it or not, to be posted up in such a way as will enable them to get through their examinations, and Londoners are more highly favoured than the provinces, for they are not only provided with national picture galleries, parks, museums, &c., but they have abundance of public schools, libraries, and other advantages over the less fortunate citizens in the provinces. Now let us look for a few minutes at the business side of the subject; for, as I said before, the two are inseparable. It is hardly necessary to say to an

audience like this that both town and country business has depreciated to an enormous extent within the last few years; and my heart is often saddened when I think of the condition of men who, for a great number of years, have steadily attended to their businesses, supplied the public with good articles at moderate prices, and in every way conscientiously performed their duties—duties which, as chemists, we all know to be very onerous, through having to supply articles of a dangerous nature and at the same time to conform to the provisions of both the Pharmaey and Adulteration Acts. Large numbers of this class, who formerly made a reasonable livelihood, enabling them to maintain their families respectably, now find it almost impossible, despite unremitting attention to business, to keep the wolf from the door; and businesses which a few years ago, after the death of the owners, would have sold readily at a good price for the benefit of their families, could not now be disposed of except at auction prices. As a consequence, the number of chemists in large towns especially—is continually diminishing. We in Birmingham know that several old-established businesses have been closed within the last few years, and the same thing obtains in other towns. This state of things is largely due to unfair competition on the part of co-operative stores, which, by a "fluke" in the Pharmaey Act, are enabled to carry on the business of a chemist and druggist, although none of the shareholders are qualified. It is also brought about by tradesmen in other businesses selling patent medicines, proprietaries, and packed goods (the latter being supplied by members of our own fraternity) at unremunerative prices, they being able to do this because it is a sort of "by-product" to them, any profit they may make being an addition to their ordinary trade; and if they get a fair rate of interest on the capital employed they are perfectly satisfied. There is in addition to these a large number of eutting druggists, who are making it still more difficult for the chemist to obtain a living by carrying on his business as formerly. We might have expected by this time that the number of medical men who dispensed their own medicines would have been lessened, but such is not the case; in fact, things may be said to be worse, for there is now an increasing number of open surgeries and provident dispensaries where the public may be supplied with medicine, and it has been said that probably not more than one-half of the chemists in the country make above 5 per cent. of their incomes by dispensing, and not more than 10 per cent. by the sale of articles to be used for medicinal purposes, exclusive of proprietary medicines. The following extracts from letters bear upon the trade aspect of the question, the first being from a leading chemist in a county town of the Midlands, who writes:-

"We have a population of 91,000; there are 33 chemists' shops, kept by three pharmaceutical chemists and 28 chemists and druggists. These employ 2 qualified assistants (Minor), 20 unqualified, and 5 apprentices. There are 42 medical practitioners in the town; all without exception supply their own medicines. We have one resident physician who does not care for practice, and only writes prescriptions occasionally. Years ago there were two or three physicians with very good practices, probably the railway facilities by which patients can consult physicians in larger towns and London may account for no one coming here. From the above you will understand that at the greater part of the chemists' establishments here there is no opportunity for practising the higher branches of pharmacy; consequently, there is a lack of interest and no encouragement to study."

And from the West of England my correspondent writes:—
"All that the Pharmaey Act does is to enforce examinations to enable a man to sell a few poisons. If there be a curriculum and pass-examinations, there ought to be another side of the equation, and protection from outsiders. What would a lawyer think if his privileges extended to 'murder cases' only, all the other legal work being open to the world? The chemists are in a very analogous position; as examined men we can sell poisons, but any other unexamined man can deal in all the medicines of the Pharmacopæia, and otherwise."

It will be seen by the foregoing that the chemist himself cannot have much pleasure in pursuing his calling, nor can the apprentice or assistant, under the present state of affairs, have much heart in prosecuting his studies and making the necessary sacrifices to qualify for the business.

REMEDIES FOR BAD TRADE.

I will now turn from the dark side of the picture and endeavour to make some suggestions by which our position may be improved. In the first place we must make up our minds that the old state of things is gone and never can return-I mean as regards the prices of patent medicines and sundries, and that it is impossible to take out of the hands of grocers and others the sale of ordinary drugs, and to prevent the oil and colour man selling all the ordinary medicines. We must look elsewhere for an improvement in our position. We must face the competition cheerfully, and, taking advantage of the knowledge gained at the expense of large advertisers who are continually testing the public taste, be prepared to supply the public with better articles at a lower price, for many of the advertisers are outsiders and know very little about the trade. We must be prepared to sell every day articles of commerce at moderate prices, for it is not to be expected that the public will pay higher prices to us than they will pay to others for articles which they themselves know to be identical. We must be continually endeavouring to meet the public requirements by bringing out new articles which in themselves are improvements upon what has been hitherto sold. These will vary, of course, according to the class of trade; in a low-class neighbourhood the requirements are altogether different to those of a better class of business, but the same rule obtains. I may give an example. One of my friends who has a business in a populous district where a "penny trade" can only be done is continually bringing out fresh articles to sell at from 1d. to 3d., and by this means he makes a good deal of moncy.

Then there is the manufacture of mineral waters, which can now be profitably conducted with a very small outlay of capital. This business is now largely in the hands of outsiders, who have no knowledge whatever of chemistry, and many uneducated men have made considerable sums of money out of it. At the same time there is no doubt the public would sooner purchase mineral waters made by chemists and druggists than by the class of men referred to.

Through the technical and science schools chemistry is becoming more and more used in developing manufacturing industries, and although many manufacturers employ their own chemists, yet numbers of others are now requiring technical and scientific help.

I hear from my friend Mr. Rimmington that in the Bradford Schools there are about 800 or 900 pupils, most of them being instructed in chemistry. "Fancy," says he, "the state of society in a few years if this goes on!"

But we do not intend to be lett behind; and I hope one result will be that the Pharmaceutical Society before long will have a special examination by which chemists and druggists may become qualified for the post of public analyst. I think if this matter had been taken in hand earlier by the Pharmaceutical Society it would have been advantageous to the public as well as to us as a body, for at the outset the Government had great difficulty in finding men possessed of suitable qualifications for the work.

Then we must look forward to the time, and I cannot but think that if we but do our duty it is not so remote as many think it to be, when the bulk of the dispensing which is now done by the surgeons shall come into our hands. This is our legitimate calling. The Pharmaceutical Society was founded in 1842 for the purpose of educating men to undertake the work, and since 1868 no person has been permitted to enter the business unless he passed a specific examination, which, in the eye of the law, gives him the right to prepare and dispense medicines. Medical men are often blamed because they continue to dispense, but we must remember that to many of them we are thought to be interlopers. Their diploma entitles them to practise medicine and pharmacy, and we exist for the express purpose of doing away with what they consider a lucrative part of their rightful profession. I believe it is, however, neither to their interest nor to the public advantage that this state of things should continue, and I hope to have an opportunity by-and-by to show this to be the case. The best thing we can do to bring this about is to promote the higher education of the chemist and druggist: for it is only reasonable to suppose that whilst medical men are engaged in preparing themselves for medical practice they cannot possibly devote so much time to pharmaey as those who are specially engaged in the work; and, if we

steadily pursue a course of teaching and examination, there will be in a few years as much difference between us and the general practitioner as exists now between him and the by-gone apothecary; but from the unsatisfactory system of education which has hitherto obtained we have not made the difference so apparent as we ought to have done, when we consider the length of time in which pharmacy has been a distinct branch of the medical profession. This brings me again to the education question. It is acknowledged on all hands that in order to keep pace with the advancement of science in the public and learned professions, and, as pharmacists, to take our right position, we must alter our present system. It is, however, said by some that higher education and increased stringency of the examinations means preventing young men coming into the business. In reply, it may be said that it is to the interest of the chemist in business to keep others out, and it is to the interest of the assistants and apprentices now in the trade to keep others out; it can be no hardship upon those who have not entered the business for them to be kept out, and it is certainly to the interest of the public that chemists and druggists should be better educated.

EDUCATION AND EXAMINATION.

I will now, therefore, turn your attention to the present methods of education and examination, and then look at the curriculum which is sought to be imposed upon students, and after that submit to you a plan which I think will be more likely to meet with the approval of the trade, and be found much more practicable.

Professor Redwood, in his address to us, speaking of the present system, said:—

"As a teacher of some experience, I can state from observation that the demand for sound systematic education has been weakened instead of strengthened through the influence of compulsory examinations conducted without reference to the manner in which the knowledge to be tested has been acquired. . . . I should like to see classes established in every town where there are ten or a dozen druggists, and also an association of apprentices and assistants formed for mutual instruction in and beyond the subjects of the intermediate examination. There need be little or no expense incurred in carrying out such an object if the use of a meeting room could be obtained."

Mr. Barnard S. Proctor, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, says:—

"The more the examinations are split up and distributed over a period of study, the more advantageous will both examination and curriculum become. . . . Even an annual written examination would be advantageous to the student."

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A gentleman who has had considerable experience as a teacher writes me:—

"From all that I have seen, I am strongly convinced that it is by means of Tutorial Classes rather than by lectures that the best results are to be obtained in the education of pharmaceutical students. This fact is getting to be rapidly recognised in other departments and systems. Tutorial instruction is being largely developed at the present time in connection with the University of Edinburgh. . . The great mistake that seems to be made in 'getting up' classes for pharmaceutical students is that far too high a standard is aimed at to begin with. Something more humble and homely would probably meet the case much better and be attended with great success, and might ultimately develop into something more imposing."

It will be seen by the foregoing opinions (and others might be brought forward of the same character), in which I thoroughly concur, that the present system, if system it may be called, is not at all adapted to our requirements. I will now refer to the curriculum which has been adopted by the Pharmaceutical Council. It requires that before a you'h is apprenticed to the trade he must have passed the Preliminary examination. He is then to serve not less than three years as an apprentice or pupil in the shop of a duly-qualified chemist and druggist. At the end of the three years, or, in the words of the scheme, "thereupon or thereafter," he is to submit to a written examination at one of the centres at which the Preliminary examinations take place, in pharmacy, pharmaceutical and general chemistry, and in the translation of prescriptions. This is to be a second or intermediate part

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of the Minor examination. Afterwards, at an interval of not less than one year, he has to prove to the examiners that he has attended at college, school, or institute a course of lectures on chemistry, botany, and materia medica, and also a course of instruction in practical chemistry, and "thereupon or thereafter he must be examined in botany, materia medica, chemistry, and practical dispensing. Now it will be seen that an apprentice from the time he enters the business until the three years have expired has no necessity laid upon him to study, and, therefore, if we are to judge from the present state of things—for we shall not by the curriculum alter human nature—we shall doubtless find that when this second intermediate examination is to be passed the apprentice will go to some "cram" school to enable him to get through his first technical examination. It will be seen that the next stage in the curriculum is a course of lectures in some central college or institute. The lectures are expected to take up five months of his time, the course of study is carefully elaborated in the curriculum, but no conditions are prescribed for the student other than that he must attend a certain percentage of the lectures. No certificate of the teacher is necessary to prove that he has been diligent in his studies, so that, after probably enjoying himself for five months, he is at liberty to present himself for the final pass examination of the Minor at Bloomsbury Square. What do you think he will do to enable him to get through that examination? Why, what do you imagine? From our past experience of the student he will no doubt require the "cram" school again to enable him to pass; so that we shall have two "crams," five months' expenditure of time at some central college, a quantity of money wasted, and be very little better off than now in point of education. I will give you the opinions of gentlemen who have a right to a hearing in this matter. Mr. Luff says :-

"There is no evidence required to show that they have been benefited by attendance at lectures. There should be a certificate from the teacher that the student is fit to present himself for examination. The present state of pharmaceutical education is the Scylla, and I much fear that the compulsory curriculum without the insurance of thoroughness of work will be the Charybdis. The barque of pharmaceutical education may be rescued from the rocks only to risk its being engulfed in the whirlpool."

Prof. Redwood said at Birmingham :-

"I have sometimes been almost afraid that the prospect of the curriculum might in one respect do mischief through the influence of its formidable character; that it might deter some from studying in a less formal manner, on the ground that such informal study will not be recognised at the final pass-examination."

The Editor of the Pharmaccutical Journal says:—

"It is essential from the outset of their career, students should know, not merely what is necessary for their successful progress, but should also see before them a distinct and clearly-marked course of procedure to be followed in order to obtain the training and acquire the knowledge demanded of them."

EDUCATIONAL SCHEMES.

Then, again, as to the centres which will be available for the curriculum course, we had the benefit of a very able address lately in Birmingham by Mr. Greenish, President of the Pharmaceutical Conference, and he then, you will remember, showed us a map of Great Britain which was divided up, giving his idea of where such centres ought to be. The map, by the kindness of Mr. Greenish, is before you, and it will be seen that there are 12 centres for England and Wales and 3 for Scotland. Now this gives for England and Wales 1 centre to 4 counties, and for Scotland 1 to 11 counties; if there were colleges or public schools available in all such centres, it would entail a great cost upon all young men for their board and lodging for five months and for travelling such long distances; but it is a question whether, with the exception of the Owens College, there is a single public institution in the whole country which is prepared to make the requisite provision for teaching pharmaceutical students without being subsidised largely for the purpose. If we take the Mason College in Birmingham as an example, we have extraordinary advantages here with Professor Tilden, who

takes great interest in pharmacy, and who, being in entire sympathy with us, will do everything in his power to help us, and with Professor Hillhouse, who has on several occasions attended our meetings, and in other ways shown an interest in our proceedings; but they tell me that pharmacy could not be taught at the College unless a chair were endowed, and this would cost from 3,000%. to 4,000%. at least. But there are many places, as Mr. Greenish said in his address—namely, from the Thames to Portsmouth—where there is no public institution; nor is there anything for the Salisbury centre, nor for Devonshire or Cornwall. How is the money to be raised for this great scheme? I cannot see how it is practicable, and, finding so many grave objections to it, I have endeavoured to work out suggestions for a scheme which is of a much more humble character, but which, I think, if adopted, would better meet the requirements of the trade. If we earry our minds back to the time when we entered the business, we shall find that many of us took to it because we had a leaning towards the study of chemistry, and chemists are very familiar with the conversation which generally takes place when the parent or guardian brings a youth to be apprenticed. It frequently begins something like this:-

The parent says: "My son is very fond of chemistry; he is continually making experiments, and thinks he would like to become a chemist. He has got prizes for chemistry at school, and I want to know whether you have a vacancy. The chemist generally replies that there would be very little opportunity for his carrying on chemical experiments in the business, and explains what the nature of the business is, and the duties which the youth would have to perform. However, the youth is not to be prevented from following his bent, because he sees the bottles and coloured globes in the window, and there is an air of mystery about the thing which fascinates him. The result is, he comes to the business with very high expectations of pursuing scientific studies. But what happens? His shop work, as we know, consists of dusting, the use of the mortar and pestle, and when he gets on a little the packing of various common articles, and the ordinary routine work of the shop, which has no scientific bearing whatever; and it is only towards the close of his apprenticeship that he is called to dispense if there is any to be done. Now I take it that this is a great mistake, and it ought if possible in any curriculum scheme to be altered. I think the youth, from the time he comes to the business, should be introduced into some elementary science class, and undergo a curriculum, commencing in his first year. By this means he would pass from his school work to the science class, and continue his studies without a break. These ought to gradually extend, and by education and examination should culminate with his final examination for the Minor, unless, as would no doubt be the ease oftener than now, he determined to take the Major. In case he entered for a four or five years' apprenticeship instead of three, it should be compulsory upon him to take the classes for the first two years of his apprenticeship, and the third course the year previous to his taking the Minor; there would thus be a break of one or two years; but there is little doubt that through the studious habits formed by his school training, and the two years of study after it, that he will continue a student even during the interim; and it should be considered the duty of his teacher to direct his studies during this period. We all know that it is no use giving general directions to a youth to study; if he is to succeed he must have work cut out for him-so many pages of a book to be learned, and a teacher to examine him upon it; and this scheme is consequently eminently more suited for training students than the curriculum. It is impossible to do more than give a general outline of the course of study; it will, however, be incumbent upon those who have the responsibility to isolate the first two years' course from the last year's, so that the student who takes the first two years successfully may be able without difficulty to take the final year's course, previous to his entering for the Minor. This could readily be done by making the first two years' course elementary, but covering the whole of the ground, and in the final year the whole of the subjects to be treated more comprehensively. It must, however, be borne in mind that the student will not always pass his examination at the first attempt, and it is not unlikely that many of them will have to study each year during the five to enable them to get through the examination; for

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if they fail in one year it will be necessary for them to go back the one year in order to be ready for the next year's examination.

MR. BARCLAY'S SCHEME IN DETAIL.

In looking at this matter it would be well to see what is being done under the Science and Art system. During the year ending May, 1885, the report shows that there were in Great Britain 5,649 classes, 1,542 schools under teachers recognised by the Department. There were 78,810 individuals under instruction; of these, 48,497 came up for examination, and there were 37,133 successful. Now, why cannot we, on something like the same lines, set to work with Pharmacy students, and have a three years' course which will thoroughly cover the ground intended to be taken by the curriculumthat is, to include all the subjects necessary for the examination, and those which are to be taught during the college curriculum? The student will commence his studies when he goes to the trade, and have an examination at the end of each year, these examinations to be in writing, except the practical portion, and to be conducted in the provincial centres which are already used for the Preliminary examinations. The practical examination could be carried out on similar lines to those which are practised so successfully under the Science and Art Department. The course of study to be as follows :-

Comparative Table of the Curriculum Scheme and My Own.
Holiday months, August and September.

Proposal

Curriculum

Theoretical Chemistry	60 lectures	30 lessons, of 1 hour's duration, each year, equals 90 for 3 years, as tollows:—	tl
Physics	20 ,,	1st year — General elementary physics and the study of the non-metallic elements	ye ar
		2nd year.—Heat; metals and their salts 3rd wear.—Light, electricity and	SI
Practical	3 hours daily for	magnetism, and organic chemistry 3 hours weekly each year of 10	01
Chemistry	5 months, or 5 hours daily for 3 months,	months, equals 120 per year, or 360 hours in 3 years 1 d year.—Preparation of gases; syn-	m
	equal: 360 hours	thetical and analytical operation for all ordinary metals used in medicine and the arts, with pre-	is
		paration of a few typical com- pounds. Tests only for sulphuric, nitric, hydrochloric, and carbonic acids	₹*
		2nd year.—Preparation of common acids and tests for all acidulous radicals, and analyses of unknown	0.
		salts and mixtures of two acids and two bases. Study of the reac-	e:
		tions of the rarer metals 3rd year.—Preparation, study, and	u
		identification of common organic	tl
		gravmetric analysis. Much of	b
		this, especially those operations requiring time, can be done in the	a
		pharmacy, r.g. taking of sp. grs.,	t!
		distillations, microscopic exami- nations of starches, urine sedi-	b
Botany	48 lectures of	ments, &c. Botany.—60 lessons of 1 hour's dn-	te
and	1 hour	ration, or its equivalent, to extend	a
Materia Medica	40 lectures of 1 hour	over 3 years, equals 20 per year 1st year. General sketch of the	h
		organs of plants and their variability; elementary structure to	S
	(end of stems, equals 20 hours	t
		2nd year.— The morphology and histology of the flower-stalk; in-	t
		florescence and parts of phanero-	b
		gamous flowers; kinds of fruit, ovnie, seeds, equals 20 hours	P
		3rd year.—Systematic, practical, and economic botany. Study of 26	t
		common British natural order and	t
		indigenous medicinal plants, cquals 20 hours.	t
		MATERIA MEDICA.—60 lessons of 1	r
		hour's duration or its equivalent, to extend over a period of 3 years,	2
		equals 20 hours per year.	1
		1st year.—Ranunculaceæ to Leguminoseæ, equals 20 hours.	t
		2nd year. Rosacee to Aristolochi- aceæ, equals 20 hours.	s
		3rd year.—Enphorbiacese to end of	
		animal kingdom.	1

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Subject	Currienlum	Proposal
Pharmacy and Dispensing	No provision	10 lessons each year to be given on the first lesson day of the month, equals 30 lessons during 3 years. As Proeter's "Pharmacy" comprehends the whole of the requirements, and as there are in it 29 sections, these may be taken as a basis and made into 30 lessons, to extend over the 3 years. Much of this, however, will have been alluried to in the chemistry and physics, with which this could be easily blended.

Home Work.—Much may be done under this head. Work for dispensing in the pharmacy, such as the preparation of difficult pills, mixtures, and emulsions, as also the translation of prescriptions into English, and English into unabbreviated Latin. I would recommend that the student should give to the home work of each subject exactly the same amount of time as is specified for the lesson; that is, if the lesson is of one hour's duration the preparation at home should occupy at least one hour.

The above scheme briefly summarised is as follows:—The period of the curriculum is to extend over not less than five months, and in my scheme it is to occupy three years during pupilage. Theoretical chemistry and physics, according to the curriculum, are to take up at least eighty hours, and in my proposal ninety hours (thirty in each year).

Practical Chemistry requires three hours daily for five months, or five hours daily for three months; this is equal to three hundred and sixty hours. I propose to extend this over three years, giving one hundred and twenty hours each year, or three hours per week, excluding the months of August and September.

Materia Medica requires forty hours. I allow for this subject sixty hours, or twenty each year, or two each month.

Botany requires forty-eight hours. I allow sixty hours, or twenty each year, which is the same as the materia medica, and, finally, for

Pharmacy and Dispensing—for which no special provision is made in the curriculum teaching—I give thirty hours, which is equal to ten each year.

Periodical examinations by means of written papers and vivâ voce must be conducted by the teachers.

THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

It should be the duty of the Pharmaceutical Society by its examiners to issue an annual syllabus giving directions to the eachers as to the course of study and the text-books to be used; and it would be advantageous if the authors of the ext-books were to divide them into sections to suit the three years' course. This the Pharmaceutical Society, aided by its experienced professors, could readily do. It would lso devolve upon them to prepare the papers to be used in he annual examinations. It will be seen by the alternative scheme that very little time would be required away from ousiness by the student during the three years. It amounts to only 200 hours in the year for classes, but as 120 of these are required for practical chemistry, based upon the curriculum scheme, eighty hours only will be required for the home work. But there is no doubt some additional time so spent would be advantageous; and, in addition to the work to be prepared for the classes, there would be some addiional home work. This is of such a nature as could be done best in the shop; and it must also be noticed that, as the pharmacy lessons under the scheme are so disjointed and faapart, it would be absolutely necessary from time to time that recapitulation should take place to make them eon tinuous, and the necessity for this should be enforced upor the teacher. Sacrifices will have to be made both b; masters and students; but the master would be re warded by the greater intelligence of his apprentice and regular study would keep him out of mischief The student also would find the money and the time expended an excellent investment. The course I hav sketched out would be homely, whilst the curriculum of th Pharmaceutical Council would take him from home an regular work and place him among a class of men, many

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them idlers, which would probably lead to his becoming dissatisfied with his business. From my knowledge of the country I know that the hours of business are very long in towns. In many cases shops are kept open until 9,9.30, and 10 o'clock at night. In agricultural districts it is earlier; 8, I think, is the customary hour, and in the centre of large towns in the North of England is earlier still; 7 o'clock is, I think, the usual hour. In some places a custom has come into force within the last few years of closing one half-day during the week. I wish the shop hours could be generally shortened: they are much too long. The Shop Hours Regulation Act which came into force on November 1 prevents a young person under 18 being employed for a longer period in or about a shop than 74 hours (including meal times) in any one week. Earlier closing would greatly facilitate the work of education, and reduce the heavy strain upon chemists in business. By the scheme now proposed the local teacher would adapt the time for giving the lessons to the requirements of the district. In suburbs of large towns afternoons would no doubt suit best, while in the centre of towns the evenings would be preferred, and in country districts the evenings or the afternoons of quiet days.

TEACHERS AND MONEY WANTED.

Now in order to carry out the scheme we must have a great number of teachers, because it would never do for the students to have to travel long distances to attend the classes. I find there are 1,725 towns and villages in Great Britain in which chemists are engaged in business. We had, however, on the register on January 1, 1886, 1,581 pharmaceutical chemists (by examination), and 3,980 Minor men, making a total of 5,561, from whom the teachers could readily be found. I would suggest a modification of the plan adopted by the Science and Art Department, by which it is necessary, before a teacher can go to work, that he must have a local committee of five, one of whom is to act as secretary. I should say that if any examined Major or Minor man who desired to become a teacher could get five chemists to form themselves into a committee, and find a sufficient number of students to form a class, he should apply to the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society for permission to commence, and as the Council could not suffer loss by the experiment, permission should not be withheld unless in very special cases.

It may be urged as an objection that it is impossible for one teacher to take the whole of the subjects, but I find from the statistics which have been sent me that the most successful classes, both in point of numbers and results, are those in which there is one teacher engaged. In some cases he has assistants, but upon him is the responsibility. The subjects are all allied to each other, and there are great advantages in the students being under one teacher for all subjects. He becomes acquainted with each individual member of his class, and so can handle them much better than if he were one of a

number of teachers.

I would have the local secretary of the district in which classes are held an ex-officio member of each committee, so that he would be "in touch" with all the committees in the district. The Science and Art Department pay one-half of the cost of apparatus for any laboratory, and the Pharmaceutical Society in this case should act similarly. I think the local committee would in all cases find the other half. I calculate that 15l. to 20l. would equip a laboratory such as would be required for the purpose. It would be necessary, no doubt, for teachers in a district to travel to several of the smaller places (I may say that this idea has been suggested by one of the gentlemen in a country district who communicated with me), or it might be arranged that the students should travel to meet him at some local centre; if the former, then the expenses of the teacher should be wholly met, or, as in the case of the Science and Art Department, a grant made towards them; they pay two-thirds second-class fare. As to the fees to be charged, I think these need be very moderate, for we have plenty of illustrations that there are numbers of men ready to teach for a small honorarium; but I think, whatever the fee is, it should be supplemented by capitation grants from the Pharmaceutical Society to the teacher for students who make the requisite attendances and pass the annual examinations. There might be two grades, first class and second class, and the grant should be more or less accordingly. The Pharmaceutical Society can well afford to

do this; they have by long discussions in the Council shown how earnest they are in the cause of education; this will, however, put them to a practical test. I notice that Mr. Borland stated in the Council in 1885—and, so far as I have seen, it has not been contradicted—that in seven years they cleared over 18,000*l*. for examination fees, being considerably over 2,000*l*. per year. I have no doubt a number of legitimate claims would reduce that amount; but still there is an ample surplus to enable them to deal very liberally with any teacher who might be set up under this scheme.

SWALLOWING A SURPLUS.

The number of students who pass the Preliminary examination every year is about 600, the number of those who pass the Minor something like 300, so that if the capitation grant to the teacher averaged 1/. for each student who passed the annual examination under him, it would not amount to a very large sum. I would publish the name of the teacher, the number of students who entered the classes, the number who presented themselves for examination, and the number and names of those who passed in the journals every year. By this means there would be a healthy emulation. I would also give to those students who passed certificates from the Pharmaceutical Society, and would present the most successful with prizes; it would not be difficult to obtain a number of prizes for the students. There is no doubt that there would be offers of prizes from Manchester, Newcastle, Sheffield, Liverpool, Bristol, and other towns; Birmingham, I feel sure, would not be behind in this respect; then there would be the Bell Scholarship and the Herbarium Medals to be competed for by students. It is impossible to go into every detail connected with this scheme, but I feel sure that if it were adopted we should raise up a class of students who would gradually advance the profession of pharmacy, and it would not be difficult before long to make the Preliminary examination include elementary science, and to make the three years' course of study more comprehensive. We should also by this system raise up a large number of well-trained teachers, for the successful men would be interested in their work and throw themselves more and more into it, whilst it would speedily weed out poor teachers, for the published results would discredit them, and the remuneration would be very small unless they were successful with their students.

I calculate by this scheme some 2,000 to 3,000 students would be constantly under scientific training. What a mine of wealth! In a few years we might possibly overtake the German and French, to whom we have now to look for the finer chemicals and alkaloids. I must now close, but cannot do so without expressing my great obligation to those gentlemen in various parts of the country who have so readily helped me with information and suggestions, and I would especially thank Mr. F. Harris Alcock, who has given me great assistance in working out the three years' course of education. I am greatly obliged to you for your patience and kind attention, and shall be glad of any criticisms or suggestions. I trust that the outcome of all our discussion here and clsewhere on this important question will result in a practical scheme which will prove well adapted to the requirements of the trade and the welfare of the public.

DISCUSSION.

Mr. PERRY: I think the thanks of the meeting are due to Mr. Barclay, and that he is to be congratulated on his scheme. We must eliminate from this discussion all considerations as to the value of pharmacy as a profession. To those who think nothing is wanted in the direction Mr. Barclay has indicated, the subject of pharmaceutical education cannot be of great interest; but we, who think that unless pharmacy has become degraded, unless it has become stuck fast in a morass of inevitable despair, consider a curriculum by the Pharmaceutical Society necessary. You, Sir, have dealt very satisfactorily with the subject you have discoursed upon, and it is clear that, unless pharmacy is to be pushed into the background, it must progress in the same ratio as other leading scientific professions. You have shown very clearly that the curriculum of the Pharmaceutical Council is inadequate to the needs of pharmaceutical students, for the simple reason that it leaves the pharmaceutical student three years entirely unprovided for; he gets out of the run of educational work;

and, when the necessity arises that he must put his shoulder to the wheel to get the necessary information, he must resort to the "cram" school. I think, too, you have shown that the scheme of Mr. Greenish is Utopian. With regard to your own scheme, I think I am warranted in saying that it will be gladly accepted by every pharmaceutical student throughout the land. I should have been glad of some such scheme when I was a student, and I think it will be received with acclamation by the majority of those for whom it is intended. I hope it will be brought under the notice of the Pharmaceutical Society, who, I hope, will give it their serious consideration. Minor details could be gone into after. I do not myself think that thirty lessons for pharmacy will be suffieient, but the broad outline will form a good basis on which to build a scheme. I hope we shall have the satisfaction of seeing at no very distant date Mr. Barclay's scheme inscribed on the statute books of the realm, and I have, in conclusion, the pleasure of proposing, "That the best thanks of this meeting be given to Mr. Barclay, and that in the opinion of this meeting the scheme proposed in the President's address is worthy of very serious consideration as an alternative scheme to the curriculum favoured by the Pharmaceutical Society.'

Mr. CHURCHILL, in seconding the resolution, said that one very strong point for recommendation in Mr. Barclay's scheme was the frequent examinations, for there was no better method of testing a student's progress than examinations held from year to year. He found that those men who were successful were those who were always trying to learn and to improve themselves. There would be some difficulty in getting a lecturer to visit small places, but he hoped such difficulties could be overcome for the sake of the advantages which must result from a system of annual examination.

Mr. MAGOR said he looked upon the curriculum as a means of killing a dying trade, and Mr. Barclay's practical scheme was one by which we should prevent such a result, for the young man would be educated from the moment he left

school till he had passed his final examination.

Mr. DEWSON had to say an unpopular thing. If the curriculum were made compulsory it would be the same kind of system as obtained in France and Germany, and it it were so, the question was, should we not be equally protected? He was of opinion that the Minor man of to-day is sufficiently educated to sell poisons and dispense medicines. If the compulsory system were to be adopted the chemist of the future might reasonably expect extra advantages given to him. would be put to greater expense, and something should be given as an equivalent. Where was this quid pro quo to come from? The Pharmaey Act of 1868 gave some hope of protection, but free-trade principles are so strongly implanted that it would be next to impossible to get the restrictions drawn closer round the trade of a chemist. Indeed, the probable result of further legislation would be to release the restrictions. As to the dispensing of medicines by ehemists the great majority of the population are neither paupers nor hospital patients. While they do not care to go to the hospital they cannot afford to pay the doctor and pharmacist, and so long as this is so there is very little chance of dispensing being more in the hands of pharmacists. Believing there was no chance of a quid pro quo, he should not be prepared to support the curriculum. From July to July (last) he could only find seven cases in which the Pharmaeeutical Society had taken legal proceedings against persons who had infringed the Pharmacy Act. This did not look like a serious intention or earnest endeavour to protect the pharmacist or the public. If a scheme did become necessary no better or more practicable one could be brought forward than the one they had just heard.

Mr. THONGER, whilst duly respecting the features of the seheme, so practical in its bearings, urged that no resolution be passed that night, but that the consideration of it be postponed till it had been published, so as to give chemists outside an opportunity to comment favourably or unfavourably

upon it.

Mr. WAKEFIELD would like the scheme to go before the whole trade as soon as possible, with the knowledge that it had met with a favourable reception at a large meeting that

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Mr. WILLIAMS said the drug trade was in a bad condition, and not what a youth apprenticed to it anticipated. He considered that Mr. Barclay's was the best scheme which had yet been unfolded. He thought the Pharmaceutical Society

were a little asleep, and should be more practical instead of being so educational, and they were not in touch with the chemists and druggists as a body, as they should be. What advantage would a compulsory curriculum be to a youth when the trade was so much overrun with American specialities, &c.? Would it better help him to make up a prescription with half an ounce of Mr. Fellows's Syrup to be added to half a pint of water; or to affix a label of a wineglassful to be taken every morning to a bottle of Friedrichshall water? He thought something should be shown which was more remunerative to future chemists.

Mr. Churchill asked if the gentleman who had just spoken was inside or outside the circle of chemists, and was met with the reply that he was a chemist and druggist.

Mr. Alfred Southall said it seemed to be supposed that the scheme involved an increase of a young man's expenses, but it was not so; it was to lighten them by obviating the necessity of attending a London or other school.

Mr. Holdsworth thought the resolution would be passed unanimously if the word "practical" were omitted.

The PRESIDENT said it was a question for the meeting whether the scheme proposed was "practical" or not, but he left it to the meeting.

Mr. Heale, as a student, regretted that such a scheme as this was not in existence when he commenced his studies: had it been so, he would now have possessed much more

knowledge and much more in his pocket.

Mr. Marsh Jones wished the Preliminary to be passed before apprenticeship, or the l'resident's scheme to be amended. The medical men would not hand over their dispensing into the hands of the higher chemists (Major men), because of the bigotry shown. He believed that Minor and Modified men, and even unqualified men, were quite able to protect the public (as shown by the latter being allowed to deal in explosives), as well as those possessing the Major qualification could protect them.

Mr. THOMPSON said the scheme was on the right lines, and

met with his approval.

Mr. Barlow thought the scheme proposed by the President was more commendable than that proposed by the Pharmaceutical Society.

Mr. J. O. Morris (Walsall) begged to propose a vote of thanks for the President's able address, which met with his

commendation.

Mr. Gibson (Wolverhampton) begged to second it, and wished such a scheme had been in vogue in years gone by, then he would not have had to resort to the recognised "crammer," as he ultimately had to do. He hoped some such scheme would be earried out and taken up by students before it was necessary to become a recognised law of the land.

The President wished the resolution to be kept separate

from the usual vote of thanks.

The resolution was then put and earried unanimously, after which the PRESIDENT returned the customary thanks, and took it for granted that something had been shown which was required, and that we must go forward, and not let the thousands of students throughout the land be left behind.

Mr. Alcock said if the number of promises given in to attend the classes were carried out, they would be able to go

on at the earliest opportunity.

The President proposed, which was at once seconded, "That the formation of classes, &c., be left to the Council,"

which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Thompson stated that the next meeting would be held on December 2, and would take the form of a "social" meeting, to which he welcomed all present and as many others eonnected with the trade as could conveniently attend.

The meeting then dispersed, it being close upon eleven.

INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY IN RUSSIA.—There are at present in European Russia 56,905 factories in working order, employing a total of 955,000 hands, and turning out products to the annual value of about 183,000,000l., of which as yet only about 1,070,000l. are chemical products. But many works of this kind are in course of crection, as also manufactories of dyewood extracts, ultramarine, cocoanut oil, and palm oil refineries, &c. Baeked by an excessive and ever increasing import tariff, these works will no doubt be able to defy foreign competition in their own market.

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BANKRUPTCY REPORTS.

Re Alfred Addison Blandy.

This was an application to Mr. Registrar Giffard to close the bankruptcy, the debtor being described as a surgeon-dentist, of 58 Brook Street, Grosvenor Square. The failure took place in July, 1881, and the accounts show liabilities 1,0841. 188. 0d., against assets nil. Mr. Andrews, the trustee, appeared in person. In the absence of opposition by creditors the bankruptcy was ordered to be closed.

E. L. CLEAVER, Richmond, Manufacturing Chemist, &c.

Tuts week Mr. Justice Cave, sitting in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice, had made to him an application for a warrant for the arrest and committal of this bankrupt for non-compliance with an order of the Court below, made on July 14 last, on the day appointed for his public examination, i.e. that he should file a further cash and deficiency account for the three years prior to the date of the receiving order; also that he should amend his statement of affairs by inserting the names of creditors omitted; and, further, that he should supply to the trustee a list of the furniture elaimed by his father and wife respectively. Mr. C. L. Roberts appeared in support of the application. After hearing the bankrupt's explanation, his Lordship said the point was that large sums of money were received by Mr. Cleaver after the dissolution of his partnership with Mr. Bucknell, the said sums having been brought in by succeeding partners. No account had been given of the disposition of these sums. The bankrupt replied that being out of business he had kept no books, and therefore was unable to say what had become of the money. He had filed very voluminous accounts, and more than that he could not do. His Lordship said the order must be complied with, and so far no attempt had been made to do it. He should order his committal, but would suspend the issue of the warrant for one fortnight, in order to give him an opportunity of doing as directed.

FAILURE OF A CITY SURGEON.

AT the London Bankruptcy Court on Nov. 15, a meeting was held before Mr. Registrar Giffard, for the public examination of Byron Blewitt, described as a surgeon of 120 Leadenhall Street. The receiving order was made on the debtor's own petition, on June 4 last, and the accounts since filed disclose liabilities 2,317*l*. 14*s*. 4*d*. of which 2,274*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*. is expected to rank, against assets 653l. 10s. 1d. The debtor attributes his failure chiefly to losses upon the Stock Exchange. Upon the ease being called, Mr. F. C. Willis said he believed the trustee was now satisfied as to the accounts, and would not further oppose the debtor passing his examination. A meeting was about to be convened for the purpose of submitting a scheme of arrangement to the creditors, and he should ask that the examination might be closed. Winslow, on behalf of the trustee, said he was satisfied with the debtor's accounts as now filed, and did not oppose the closing of the examination. The examination was then ordered to be concluded.

Mrs. Kimpton, High Holborn, Medical Bookseller.

This case was before his Lordship this week on an appeal against the rejection of the trustee of a proof tendered by the bankrupt's son's wife for a sum of nearly 1,000*l*. lent by her, as alleged, for the purposes of the business. The hearing lasted several hours, but the facts may be briefly stated. Mr. II. B. Kimpton had entire control of the business, acting as manager for his mother, who received 4*l*. a week out of it, while he took more than 5*l*. weekly. He also had some speculations on his own account, having an interest in the Weekly Medical Journal, the Medical Annual, and "Surgical Handicraft," by Walter Pye, and for the purposes of these he kept no separate banking account, all moneys being paid into and drawn from the business bank account. He appears too to have betted on the turf on a somewhat extensive scale, and eventually the business, which certainly had been a good one, was brought to grief. On the part of the applicant it was alleged that the son borrowed his wife's money with his

mother's consent for the purposes of the business. On the other side it was alleged that Mrs. Kimpton, sen, had no knowledge of and gave no authority for the borrowing; that the cash was used for the son's private speculations; that by frequenting billiard-rooms and kindred resorts he reglected business and ruined its credit; and that he was indebted to it to the amount of nearly 3,000%. His Lordship held that the appellant had entirely failed to show that the money was borrowed with the mother's authority, or that it was put into the business, and he therefore dismissed the appeal with costs.

Re CHARLES WILLIAM LARGE, 203 Cornwall Road, Notting Hill, Dentist.

On Nov. 18 a meeting was held, before Mr. Registrar Hazlitt, for the public examination of this debtor. receiving order was made on October 11 upon a creditor's petition, and the statement of affairs filed by the debtor showed unsecured liabilities 4081. 3s., against assets consisting of a pair of foreeps, valued at 1l. The debter attributes his failure to damages and law expenses incurred in an action for breach of promise of marriage in February last, and to his expenses having exceeded his profits. In reply to questions by Mr. Aldridge, the Official Solicitor, the debtor stated that he commenced business without capital. In February this year a verdict was obtained against him in an action for breach of promise of marriage. He had entered into an arrangement with a Mrs. Gordon, who bought all the furniture, &c., to pay her 3001. a year for the house and use of furniture. The arrangement was that he was to pay the money quarterly, but as a fact he paid it as it came in. The examination was ultimately ordered to be concluded.

Re ISAAC LIALTER, Junior, Hope Street, Glasgow, and London, Sponge Merchant.

At the London Bankruptcy Court on Nov. 16, a meeting was held before Mr. Registrar Hazlitt, for the public examination of this debtor. The receiving order was made in September last upon his own petition, he describing himself as of Hope Street, Glasgow, and Mile End Road, London, sponge merchant. A few days prior to these proceedings a sequestration order was made against his estate in Glasgow; but he has subsequently petitioned for a withdrawal of that order, he having agreed to pay a composition of 4s. in the pound, payable within fourteen days of the confirmation of the resolutions by the Court, the larger portion of the assets being represented by the stock-in-trade in Glasgow. The unsecured debts are 1,234l. 17s. 10d., and the assets 3221. 14s. 3d. In examination by the Official Solicitor, the debtor stated that he commenced business as a sponge merchant twenty years ago, and in September, 1885, he started a business in Glasgow, which was under the management of his son in-law, Mr. Judas Leveine. At the time he started he had a capital of 2,000*l*. He had kept a day book and sales ledger, but he had not kept a eash or credit ledger. He had always paid regularly for everything that he had week by week. The books he had kept did not show whether he was solvent or insolvent. The rent of the Glasgow warehouse was about 201. a year, but he knew very little about that business because it was managed by his son-in-law. His rent in London was 50l. a year. His indebtedness of 1,200l. had arisen through badness and depression of trade, and the expenses of his travellers, and his continuous ill health. Mr. Beyfus asked that the debtor should be ordered to file a goods and cash account for the four months preceding the receiving order. His clients were so large creditors for goods sold, he submitted that they were entitled to some information as to the sale of those goods and what had been done with the monies so received. Mr. Le Voi said that Mr. Beyfus's client had attended the first meeting and could have asked for further accounts, but had not done so. At that meeting a cash composition of 4s. in the pound was accepted, and he asked that the public examination should be concluded in order that the scheme might be carried through with as little delay as possible. The Registrar said he did not think that any good could result by keeping the matter open any longer. There was a very fair offer before the creditors, and to enable that to be carried through he should order the public examination to be concluded.

Re HENRY SAMPSON.

In the Liverpool Court, on Monday, before Mr. Registrar Cooper, this debtor appeared, represented by Mr. Cornell, to pass his public examination. The statement of affairs showed assets 707l. 1s. 10ll., and liabilities 2,716l. 9s. 11ll. In answer to the Official Receiver, the debtor stated that he commenced business at 10 London Street, Southport, in 1859, as a chemist and photographer, with a capital of 550l. In 1863 he removed the photographing business to No. 11. on the opposite side of the street. He [continued so till 1870, when, being in delicate health, and under medical advice, he sold his chemist's business for 1,200l., and devoted himself to the photographing. In this, however, he had not been so successful as he anticipated, and various attempts to improve his financial position were failures. His house expenses were also needlessly heavy, and he admitted that he had not kept proper books of account. An adjournment was ordered for six weeks, the debtor to furnish a cash account since January 1, 1883.

JOSEPH TURNER, Hawarden, Manufacturing Chemist.

AT Chester County Court, before the Registrar (Mr. R. M. Preston), on November 18, this debtor came up for his public examination in bankruptcy. In reply to the Official Receiver (Mr. Evans) he said that he had carried on business on his own account at Queen's Ferry up to the end of August, 1884, and on September 1 in the same year he transferred the works to a company, feeling that he was not then in a position to carry on the works, as he had suffered some very heavy losses. He thought he should have been able to go on if trade had continued in the same state as it had been for some years previously. At the present time the products—eoal-tar products for dyeing purposes—were not worth one-third what they were worth when he formed the company. On the formation of the company he was to have 12 per cent. on the actual profits, and he then calculated he would have been able to make 1,000l. to 1,2001. a year; instead of that he had received nothing at all. He was able to maintain himself and his family by the company allowing him to draw about 500l. a year. He had drawn altogether in this way 1,409l. 11s. 5d., which had now become a debt to the company. A balance-sheet with reference to his position on September 1, 1884, showed a deficit of 4,461*l*. 10*s*. 10*d*. To meet that he had a house in Curzon Park valued at 3,000*l*., and 6,000*l*. worth of shares—800 shares at 71. 10s. each—in the new company, not fully paid up; and furniture valued at 500l. Four hundred of the shares were sold at 51. each, and the remaining 400 were cancelled in consequence of his not being able to pay the calls upon them, with the exception of 135, which had been deposited as security with Messrs. W. H. Brown & Co., of London. The debtor then gave further evidence of the numerous losses he had sustained by contracts, &c. There were no creditors present to oppose or examine the debtor, and the public examination was declared closed.

Re Francis William Whitwell, Thirsk, Chemist and Druggist.

The examination of this debtor took place at Northallerton, on November 15, before Mr. Registrar Jefferson. The debtor commenced business in October, 1883, and it appeared that he had previously about the same date filed his petition, paying a dividend of 8s. 1d. in the pound, when his stock and fittings and part of the furniture were sold to Messrs. IIall & Pearson for a sum of 225l., but he was still allowed to retain the use of them by paying interest amounting to 11l. 14s. a year on the money. He owed 306l. 8s. 10d., and he estimated his assets, allowing 15l. for preferential debts, at 120l. 5s. 9d., which made a deficiency of 186l. 3s. 10d. The account books he kept were ledger, day book, trade ledger, invoice and cash book. He had never made a balance-sheet since 1883. His examination was adjourned till November 29.

WORMS IN THE LEG.—A customer called at a pharmacy in the Rue Grenelle, says a French paper. "Give me something to get rid of worms." "Yes; what kind of worms?" "They are in my woo len leg, and are eating it away."

TRADE-MARKS APPLIED FOR.

THE Trade Marks Journal publishes the following notice:—"Any person who has good grounds of objection to the registration of any of the following marks may, within two months of the date of this journal, give notice in duplicate at the Patent Office, in the form 'J,' in the second schedule to the Trade Marks Rules, 1883, of opposition to such registration." The address of the Patent Office is Southampton Buildings, London, W.C.

From the "Trade Marks Journal," November 24, 1886.

- "LOVEWELL'S INEXHAUSTIELE SMELLING-SALTS," other wording, and a sprig of "Mitcham lavender," on a label; for smelling-salts. By Thos. C. Lovewell, 8 St. Mary's Place, Brighton. 53,162.
- A triangular design, with "Irish Hill Bauxite," and other wording, printed thereon; for an aluminous clay used in the manufacture of alum. By The Bauxite Co. (Lim.), Ballynure, near Ballyclare, Co. Antrim. 54.015.
- "Goddard's Sauce." other wording, and signatures of depositors, upon an oblong label; for a sauce. By George & James Goddard, 61 Jermyn Street, St. James's, Middlesex. 54,482.
- "ADAMALE"; for a non-alcoholic, non-aërated (beverage (54,676), and for an aërated beverage (54,677). Also obling label for same, of special design (56,634-5). By A. II. Waltonson & Co., Maude Villa, Harbut Road, London.
- "PARKIN'S CLARET COUGH LINCTUS," on a circular label; for a mixture for coughs, &c. By G. A. Parkin, 11 Com Market, Halifax. 54.824.
- "Felt's Alexandra Relish"; for a sauce. By Jeseph Fell, 203 Horton Road, Bradford, Yorks. 54,929.
- "Lever's Servants' Friend Tablet," on an oblong label; for common soaps (55.134). "Automatic" and "Sundried"; for soaps (common and perfumed), candles, [perfumery, &c.; and "Daylight"; for perfumery (including soaps, &c.) (56,435-6, 56,438, 56,441-2). By Lever Brothers, Warrington.
- "Watkinson's Liquorice-Tolu"; for a pharmacentical preparation. By Wm. J. Watkinson, Hyde Street, Preston, Lancs. 55,347.
- Figure of a hand, with the word "Slip" upon the palm; for mineral and aërated waters. By E. Handslip, Cookson's Quay, South Shields. 55,362.
- Fancy labels (oblong), with circular design in centre, enclosing a Maltese cross, wreath, &c., and "Lamplough's Pyretic Saline Aërated," and other wording; for a medicinal preparation and an aërated beverage (55,500-1). The same without the words "with hmc-juice syrup"; for an aërated beverage (55,503). By Henry Lamplough (Lim.), 113-Holbern, London.
- Coat-of-arms (stag's head below a star, and the motto R vi semper fidelis); for mineral and agrated waters. By J. M. Smythe & Co., Benington Hill, Liverpool. 55,747.
- "MAJOLICA SOAP"; for household (being common) soaps. By F. Wheen (trading as Richard Wheen & Sons), Deptford Creek, S.E. 55,774.
- "BAYNHAM'S HEADACHE POWDERS," and other wording, on an oblong slip label; for a patent medicine, By W. B. Baynham, 6 Rye Lane, Peckham. 55,768.
- "Machon's Comfortine," and other wording, on label, with signature of depositor imprinted diagonally across it; for children's medicine. By E. Machon, 5 Park Street, Derby. 55,813.
- "SIEBER'S HEALTH BODY WASH," and figure of woman holding flag; for a medicated body wash (55,867), and "Sieber's Curative Ointment"; for an ointment (55,868). By Charles Henry Sieber, Chesford House, Leanington.
- "Mirror," upon a salver-like design, figures of spoons and forks upon it, and a teapot on the top; for a plate-powder. By F. S. Newall, Washington, Durlam. 55,002.
- A diamond-shaped figure, with figure of a retort, the word "Purity" and large "G" upon it; for chemical substances. By Goulding, Bannister & Co. (Lim.), 103 Patrick Street, Cork. 53,129-30.
- Oval label (similar to those used for Bass's and other beers), with two hearts inverted upon each other, the upper one with "The A1" upon it, also other wording; for horehound beer. By The Mona Aërated Water Company (Lim.), Woodbourne Works, Douglas, Isle of Man. 46.225.
- Oval design, with nude female figure resting on a chair, and designation of depositors; for toilet-soap. By L. Dalton & Co. (trading as The Continental Perfumery Company), Frankfort-on-Main, Germany. 56,287.

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SANOLINE, A PURE ODOURLESS PETROLEUM JELLY," and other wording, on oblong fancy label; for a medicinal preparation. By Lorimer & Co., Hargrave Park Road, Loudon, N. 56,288.

"The 'Enterprise,'" "The 'Advance,'" "The 'Defiance,'" "The 'Criterion,'" "The 'Alert,'" "The 'Success,'" 'The 'Rival,'" "The 'Chancellor,'" and "The 'Cascade'"; for soda-water machines and all other machines used in the manufacture of mineral and aërated waters, natural and artificial. By Bratby & Hinchliffe, Saudford Street, Ancoats, Manchester. 56,518-26.

Figure of a knotted rope; for common soaps. By British Soap Company, Wolverhampton. 56,589.

The signature of the depositors; for chemical substances (class 1); artificial manures, disinfectauts, sheep-washes, &c.; tinetures, extracts carbolic acids, &c.; candles, common soap, washing-powders, &c., and perfumery (including toilet articles, &c.). By F. C. Calvert & Co., Bradford. 56.721-5.

Personalities.

MR. JAMES WEST KNIGHTS has been reappointed public analyst for Huntingdonshire.

Mr. Otto Hehner has been reappointed public analyst for the borough of Derby.

Mr. T. Tame, late of Chepstow, has bought Mr. Lonsdale's business at High Wycombe.

MR. EDWIN WILLIAM ALABONE, lately a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, has had his name removed from the *Medical Register* by the General Medical Council.

MR. THOMAS MADEN, a dentist, had his name incorrectly and fraudulently placed upon the *Dental Register*, and, in consequence thereof, it has been removed by the authorities.

MR. ALFRED BOSTOCK HILL, M.D., F.I.C., &c., has been reappointed public analyst for the borough of Royal Leamington Spa.

PROFESSOR TYNDALL will not give the next course of Christmas lectures at the Royal Institution. It has been arranged for Professor Dewar to give them, and the subject will be "The Chemistry of Light and Photography."

MR. JONATHAN PHILLIPS, pharmaceutical chemist, Wigan, should have been included among the chemists elected on town councils. Mr. R. Burnett, chemist, Fraserburgh, has also received a similar compliment from his fellow-townsmen.

Mr. W. H. Baker, chemist, Hoole Pharmacy, Chester, has purchased the premises lately occupied by Mr. Carman, Frodsham Street, Chester. He has made extensive alterations to suit the modern requirements of a dispensing business. Mr. Baker still retains the Hoole Pharmacy.

PROF. WM. SAUNDERS, of London, Ont, has been appointed director of the Experimental Farm Stations of the Dominion of Canada. His jurisdiction will extend over the stations in all parts of the Dominion, under the direction of Hon. Mr. Carling, Minister of Agriculture. Prof. Saunders visited this country last summer in company with Prof. Remington, and he took an active part in the arrangements of the Canadian section of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition.

Obituary.

ELDRIDGE.—On November 4, Mr. James Upton Eldridge, chemist and druggist, late of Great Yarmouth. Aged 77.

McNay.—On October 23, Mr. John McNay, chemist and druggist, Thornhill. Aged 65.

MITCHELL.—On November 2, Mr. Joseph Mitchell, chemist and druggist, Barnsley. Aged 64.

WHITE.—On November 17, at 7 Guildhall Square, Carmarthen, John Davies White, member of the Pharmaceutical Society, and principal of the firm of White Brothers, Carmarthen.

Trade Notes.

EDINBURGH EXHIBITION.—The gold medal for isinglass was awarded to Messrs. Gridley & Co., of Bishopsgate Avenue, for their exhibit of Russian, Brazilian, and other isinglass.

CHEMISTS issuing almanaes for 1887 are advised to notice the advertisements of Messrs. Rowland & Sons and of the Sanitas Company (Limited). These firms announce that they are willing to place advertisements in such publications.

The pill poets who so abundantly responded to our competition a few months since may be glad to know that in a paper called *Chat*, published at Landport, Mr. A. J. Futcher, of Southsea, offers prizes of 1*l*., 10*s*., and 5*s*. for the best sets of three verses in praise of Futcher's neuralgic pills.

Chlorodyne (W. H. B.).—Mr. W. H. Bulley, of Exeter, is now bringing under the notice of the trade his excellent preparation, which for a number of years has been put to practical test locally. The chlorodyne is just such a preparation as many pharmacists aim at. It is a perfectly inseparable and limpid liquid of a brown colour, mixes readily with water to form a clear solution, and is, altogether, a preparation which pharmacists may use with confidence.

THE "HEALTH" FEEDING BOTTLE.—This is a German novelty which is being introduced here by Messrs. Künster & Ricard, 11 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. The bottles are of various shapes, of \(\frac{1}{4}\)-litre capacity, and graduated. The fittings, with the exception of the rubber tube and bone shield, are entirely of block tin and glass. Above the glass tube is a ball valve, which effectually prevents the teat being emptied automatically of its contents, thus permitting the child to resume feeding by merely pressing the teat. This is considered to be the special feature of the bottle.

Fossiline.—We have received samples of the white and amber-coloured varieties of this soft paraffin, which is the speciality of Messrs. Evans, Sons & Co., Liverpool. The makers have succeeded in greatly improving the fossiline, so that it corresponds in all respects with the pharmacopeial requirements for Paraffinum molle. It appears not to be a mixture of hard paraffin and heavy shale oil, but is perfectly homogeneous, free from crystals, and not stringy. The ambercoloured variety has a specific gravity of 0.865 at the melting point (38–39°C.), and is only feebly fluorescent, as well as odourless. The white has a specific gravity of 0.832 at the melting point (40–41°C.), and is also odourless and free from "bloom." Both are well adapted for pharmaceutical preparations, and for making pomades and other similar toilet requisites.

MASON'S EXTRACTS.—Within the past few years a large demand has sprung up amongst working people for fermented but non-intoxicating beverages, in the preparation of which various substances, such as herbs, ginger and other essences, are used. Messrs. Newball & Mason, Park Place, Nottingham, were amongst the first to recognise in this demand a source of business to the chemist, and they have succeeded in producing various extracts which impart both flavour and body to home-made beer. Amongst them the Extract of Herbs for making "Botanic Beer" is one of the best; but all are of excellent quality, and are valuable additions to the chemist's stock. The extracts are neatly put up, and the makers supply very amusing cards and handbills to aid in introducing the goods where they are not known.

CINCHONA FEBRIFUGE IN INDIA.—An attempt was made last year by the Indian Government to promote the use of cinchona in the Central Provinces of British India, by offering it for sale in small quantities at cost price. This attempt has proved a failure; for in the report of the charitable dispensaries in the Central Provinces for the last year, the Civil Surgeon of Chanda complains that cinchona febrifuge "is a nauseous and a very uncertain drug, and dear at its price when compared with quinine." The people are willing enough to use cinchona, if they obtain it gratis; but they will not buy it, even at cost price, except in insignificant quantity. For quinine, on the other hand, there is always an eager demand; and in future the febrifuge will be offered for sale in much smaller quantities than has hitherto been the practice.—Indian Agriculturist.

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THE PHARMACEUTICAL COUNCIL
AND WIDOWS.

The astonishing display of vigour in vindication of the Pharmacy Act recently manifested by the official guardians of that precious possession will strain the faith of the staunchest friends of the Society in the discretion of their Council. All over the country, chemists and members of the Pharmaceutical Society are complaining of the indifference with which flagrant infringements of the Act seem to be regarded at Bloomsbury Square, and urgent representations

are made from time to time in the hope of rousing the Council to a sense of its duty. The latter body, so far as they condescend to take any notice at all of the wishes of their constituents, either gather around them the skirts of their official dignity, or point to a certain number of fines recovered in privately settled cases. Neither of these answers is satisfactory. It is desirable that the courts and the public should know more of the Pharmaey Act than they can learn of it from an occasional prosecution under the 17th section. An unqualified person owning a general store sells laudanum or other poison; he labels it with the name of a person, not the owner of the shop, and is prosecuted for not perfectly complying with the regulations of the Act. Is it wonderful that in such a case the magistrates should regard the offence as a trivial one? It would assume quite a different aspect if it could be shown that the dealer had ventured on a business which the legislature had declared should be carried on by certain qualified men only. Such a prosecution, however, can be undertaken only by the Pharmaceutical Council.

But in pressing on that body a more spirited policy, we have, it appears, only urged "bloody instructions, which, being taught, return to plague the inventor"; like a badly wound-up infernal machine, the Council's misdirected energy has exploded in a very unfortunate place. Their attack on a lady carrying on business at Leamington, in full accordance, as she believed, with the provisions of the Act, seems like a purely wanton piece of mischief. The lady was left a widow thirteen years ago, with a business which would seem to have brought her a fair income ever since. The Pharmacy Act expressly allows her, as the executor of her husband's will, to carry on the business if she employs a duly-qualified manager. She appears to have been very careful to comply strictly with the requirements of the law; but last week she was sued at the Warwick County Court for an alleged infringement thereof. The letters we publish this week, we are convinced, express the satisfaction of the trade generally at the defeat of the plaintiffs in this ill-advised attack. The victory of the Society would have spread alarm and dismay in the ranks; and it would have been, not a fanciful, but an actual disaster to chemists, while it would not have promoted the public safety in any degree. The Council sought to establish that a widow should not be allowed to carry on her late husband's business except to the limited extent of fulfilling her special duties as executrix. The judge, however, happily adopted the view urged on him by the solicitor for the defence, that the Act intended to grant to "any executor, administrator, or trustee" an unlimited right to carry on a business forming a part of the estate with which such persons might have to deal, under certain sufficiently protective conditions. He saw no reason, he said, why he should enlarge the words of the statute beyond what the statute expressed.

Surely it can hardly be necessary to urge the Council to accept their defeat gracefully, and "proceed no further in this business." They have done the trade a service, though they can hardly look for thanks for it, by getting even a County Court decision on a point of some obscurity in the Pharmacy Act, in favour of their constituents. Let them acquiesce in the result, and be grateful for it. In appealing to a higher Court they will be acting with injustice towards their opponent, who can have no wish either to abandon her property, or to undertake a costly law suit for the sake of clearing up a difficult technicality in an Act for the drafting of which she, at least, is not responsible; and they will assuredly alienate the sympathy with which a large section of the trade would willingly regard their work. On behalf of chemists with wives who may become widows, the Council should apply to

themselves the argument which almost persuaded Macbeth against the murder of Dunean:—

He's here in double trust: First, as I am his kinsman and his subject, Strong both against the deed; then, as his host Who should against his murderer shut the door Not bear the knife myself.

REPORTS ON THE PHARMACOPŒIA.

IT will be noticed that an important step has been taken by the Medical Council with a view to ensure the more effective revision of the British Pharmacopæia, and facilitate the preparation of a new edition when such shall be called for. Professor Attfield, F.R.S., one of the three official editors of the Pharmacopæia of 1885, and the one on whom, no doubt, the greater part of the editorial work devolved, was asked some little time since by the Pharmacopæia Committee of the Medical Council to formulate his views in regard to the preparation of periodical reports on all matters of Pharmacopæia interest. His suggestions were laid before the Council last week, and practically approved. An arrangement which the Pharmacopæia Committee had made with Professor Attfield for the preparation of these annual reports was sanctioned by the Council, and the scheme is therefore now established, and will be worked on the lines sketched in the memorandum which Professor Attfield had submitted to Dr. Quain as the chairman of the Committee.

The reports to be thus compiled will be anticipated with much interest, and will probably prove of the highest value. Year by year the "Reporter on the British Pharmacopæia to the Medical Council" will furnish in concise form an essence of so much of the pharmaceutical literature and the pharmaceutical work of the world as shall have a direct bearing on the improvement of processes or the suggestion of new remedies for the next Pharmacopæia. A study of the scheme Professor Attfield has mapped out for the "Reporter" will show that the work contemplated may easily grow to a yearbook of pharmacy: that it will be industriously compiled, skilfully condensed, and scientifically criticised, may be assumed from the fact that he himself will be the Reporter, and that Professors Redwood and Bentley are to be associated in the work as "Consultants."

One feature in this new system should be satisfactory to pharmacists. To them is mainly due the work out of which a new pharmacopæia has to be moulded. The improvements in the last edition of the official work had been suggested almost exclusively by pharmacists; criticisms on the workthat is, those of any weight-have emanated almost entirely from working pharmacists. Never before had the medical profession so perfectly abandoned all attempt to keep themselves in the race. Before another Pharmacopæia is published it is possible that they may formally hand over to the pharmaceutical profession all responsibility for its pharmacy. This object is likely to be promoted very efficiently by Professor Attfield's reports. The official mind of medicine has not yet realised how rapidly pharmacy is being separated from therapeutics; Dr. Attfield proposes in these reports to place before them in abstract the researches and opinions of therapeutists, pharmacologists, pharmaceutical chemists and ehemists-and-druggists, scientific and analytical chemists, and botanists." It will require very vigorous shutting of eyes to fail to see in such a review of the work of the year who are the workers.

The compilation of a new Pharmacopæia from ten or a dozen fairly complete annual reports, aided as these will be by the criticisms which will naturally follow them, will be an easy and almost a mechanical task. Whoever originated the idea deserves the credit of having contributed a valuable reform to official pharmacy, and will probably be found to have suggested a piece of periodical pharmaceutical literature of peculiar value.

MR. BARCLAY'S EDUCATIONAL SCHEME.

EDUCATION is a very tempting subject to pharmacists who have done well in business, or who may be of a philanthropic disposition, and Mr. Thomas Barclay has, in a very forcible manner, just taken a prominent position amongst the advocates of a properly systematised and compulsory curriculum for pharmaceutical apprentices. The address which Mr. Barclay delivered to the Midlands Association on Tuesday evening is one which we are sure will be read and carefully studied by all chemists. There is no one better able to judge of the condition of pharmacy in its high and low degrees, and we are glad to see that he points out that the successful prosecution of a pharmaceutical business requires enterprise on the part of chemists, as well as duly organised systems of education or examination. But Mr-Barclay is decidedly of opinion that, in conjunction with greater attention to business as a trade, it is also necessary for the improvement of pharmacy to institute a compulsory course of education for its young votaries; and he goes further than any of his predecessors in discussing, from a provincial point of view, the possibilties of education for the provinces. Most of the schemes which have previously been hatched have smacked of the idea which was taken as the basis of education by pharmaceutical leaders fully forty years ago-to wit, a certain number of lectures, with so much practical chemistry thrown in, to be undergone by the student at a specific period of his career. Such a scheme as this, however well intentioned it may be, is not universally adapted to the drug trade. The calling is not such a fine thing as to allow all apprentices and assistants to let days and nights slip past unoccupied by directed study, and although, unfortunately, many do neglect present opportunities, were a curriculum made compulsory a demand would spring up for evening classes. Mr. Barclay has the credit of grasping this fact and placing before us in a very clear manner a scheme of education which will certainly place out of sight some recent performances. It will be noted that in the introductory part of his discourse a very full and interesting record of the work of local associations in education is given, and the replies to Mr. Barclay's inquiries fully support the statement recently made in these columns that pharmaceutical education as directed by local associations has been a failure. At present only two schools show any sign of life, one in Sheffield, for which Mr. Barclay seems to prophesy early collapse, although it is very active just now, the other at Newcastle-on-Tyne, now in its second year, and which cannot go on much longer, if for no other reason than that each student costs a little more than three guineas per annum for rent. Over the whole of Great Britain Mr. Barclay finds only 240 young chemists who are studying under the direction of teachers, and he attributes this discouraging fact to depressed trade, and to doctors dispensing their own medicines. With better trade all round and more complaisant doetors, there would no doubt be more heart in pharmacists to push forward their outposts; but no curriculum will accomplish these results. At present it is sufficiently recognised that pharmacists are the most competent men for dispensing duties, yet they fail in most cases to secure the occupation, for the simple reason that they cannot make doctors see the pecuniary advantage of such a division of labour. Legislation may some day bring about the desired result, but it is hardly likely enough to be looked upon even as a chance. The best hope is that medical men will come to regard dispensing as they now do advertising. When that happens no one need fear that chemists will not be perfectly competent to do all the dispensing which may come in their way. There are some parts of the

kingdom, notably Ireland and Scotland, in which chemist^S are on as good terms with doctors as any enthusiast could wish, and they get plenty of dispensing to do, not because they are better qualified than less-favoured pharmacists, but because the doctors find it advantageous to delegate that part of their work to them.

The scheme of education which Mr. Barclay proposes is much bolder than any which has previously been suggested. It is based partly on the rejected eurriculum and partly on the educational system of the Science and Art Department. The rejected curriculum is drawn upon only for the numbers of lectures in specific subjects and the period of practical training in chemistry. To this Mr. Barclay would add a course of training in dispensing and practical pharmacy, which was not provided for in the Pharmaceutical Council's scheme. It will be remembered that that scheme provided for the Preliminary examination being passed before apprenticeship. After this there was an ugly gap of three years' inactivity, or, we may rather say, freedom from compulsion. This Mr. Barclay fills up, commencing the curriculum as soon as apprenticeship is entered upon, and he provides for an examination at the end of each session. In all details he closely follows the South Kensington plans, even to the setting of the papers by a central authority, viz. the professors of the Pharmaceutical Society, and he would also subsidise teachers with the Society's surplus examination funds, giving payment according to the results. He calculates that the plan, with compulsion, would work admirably, and that some thousands of students would annually pass through the classes. One important result would early manifest itself by the system, viz., that idlers would soon become disgusted and give up pharmacy, whereas by the Council's scheme these men are allowed to finish their apprenticeship before commencing study, and when it is becoming too late to shift into a less onerous calling. The best part of the scheme is that it endeavours to bring education to the doors of a large section of chemists' apprentices, and permits any chemist who can get together half-a-dozen pupils to begin lecturing them on the subjects of the curriculum. All this is very good, especially if the Pharmaceutical Council will pass an educational vote of a few thousand pounds annually. We do not think that this is at all likely to happen, and as subsidisation and compulsion are at the bottom of the whole scheme, we fear it will follow its predecessors, and provincial education generally, into obscurity and neglect. It may be a pity that it should do so, because the scheme provides a more reasonable means of education than any other; but pharmacy is not yet ripe for it, nor is the demand for education so great or urgent that it cannot be met by personal effort.

True Fair
Trade.

That it is possible even now to check the cutters to the mutual advantage of manufacturers and retailers is evidenced by the following letter published in the *Ironmonger* over the signature

"Commercial":—
"Some time ago," says the writer, "the firm I am connected with came to the conclusion that the practice of cutting prices meant commercial suicide all round, and especially as applied to patented articles, and determined to make a firm stand against it. With this object in view the following

notice was, and still is, stamped on all invoices:—
"'Private. Special Notice. We request you to sell our manufactures to the public at list prices. Any departure from this rule will close the account.'

"It has done good. A few short-sighted ones refused 'to be dictated to,' and had to accept the alternative, but their wiser neighbours said it was worth while stocking our specialties, as they knew they would get their legitimate profit. By this means confidence has been established, and a very satisfactory and increasing business is the outcome."

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To make a scheme like this successful the manufacturer must deal direct with the retailer, and that is what he will do more and more. He must get over his prejudice against the "multiplicity of small accounts": the paucity of them is the only thing worth troubling about. He must consider his business from a commercial and not from a book-keeper's point of view, and if he wants to attain success without trouble, he had better pray to some good fairy to transport him back to the good old times of fifty years ago.

'Singular Resemblance. A pamphlet entitled "Home Treatment," purporting to be issued by "James Holland, M.D.," has been sent to us by a correspondent. It details in the well-known old style the wonderful discovery of the "Kanaka Compound," which was obtained from "the medicine-man of the Metcha-wel-ha Indians," and adds a touching history narrating the reclamation of a young gentleman from habits of drunkenness by the use of this blessed remedy. The funny part of this pamphlet presents itself in the portrait on the cover, which is supposed to represent "James Holland, M.D." Our correspondent sends us a copy of Mother Siegel's almanac for 1886, wherein exactly the same portrait is described as that of Zachary Taylor, President of the United States 1849–50. Mrs. Farrington's testimonial is probably as authentic as Dr. Holland's portrait.

In connection with the exploits of the Italian Arsenicfasting men, which are now causing a sensation eating. in Paris, it is worthy of notice that the habit of swallowing or chewing certain drugs in order to impart to the body an increased fatigue resisting power, is not confined to South American Indians and Malays. Among the inhabitants of the Austrian province of Steiermark the practice of eating arsenic has long existed, and recent investigations show the habit to be widely spread among both sexes; but, as the practice is generally kept secret by its devotees, it is difficult to obtain precise data as to the extent of its prevalence. An Austrian doctor has recently examined the physical and mental condition of several arsenic-eaters, who had been taking variable quantities of ordinary white arsenic or red orpiment at intervals for a long period, in one instance even during thirty years. The presence of arsenic in the urine showed the average dose of the drug taken daily to be 30 milligrammes, or three times the amount of the largest dose prescribed in medicine. Physically the persons examined were quite up to the average and able to perform ordinary manual labour, while their intellectual level was not below that of their class. Some of the arsenic-eaters were thin, others normally stout, and the arsenic habit did not appear to prevent the formation of fat. In several cases the cause of the habit was alleged to be the strengthening influence of arsenic on the digestive organs. None of the eight cases under examination showed symptoms of slow, chronic poisoning. The drug is principally taken in order to facilitate respiration when climbing steep mountains, and it is said to answer this purpose exceedingly well. Habitual arseniceaters allege that the drug acts as a preservative against disease and raises the spirits during fatiguing journeys. Dr. Büchner, a Munich physician, who recommended arsenic in tuberculosis, gives the authority of his name for the statement that arsenic is habitually mixed with the dishes served upon the tables of young ladies' boarding-schools in Switzerland, and mentions that young persons are far better able to assimilate the drug than middle-aged or old people.

Corner for Students.

The gentleman who took the first prize in this Students.

The gentleman who took the first prize in this department of the Chemist and Druggist. He also regrets that some "able correspondent" has not previously criticised the depreciatory remarks made recently by the President of the North of England Pharmaceutical Association in regard to the "weeklies of pharmacy" in general, and Students' Corners in particular. "Your master, or your fellow assistant or apprentice," said Mr. Martin, "can prepare for you test powders and solutions which will be educationally of far more value to you, and you will be saved the gain or loss has no practical bearing upon your daily train-

Our correspondent is good enough to argue almost seriously against this very harmless piece of pedantry. The Corner for Students published in this Journal, and which evidently was the object of Mr. Martin's attack, needs no defence. It has been warmly commended both publicly and privately by some of the first living teachers of chemistry, and it has done more sound educational pharmaceutical work than any half-dozen local associations with all their paraphernalia of classes, lectures, and prospectuses. Several generations of students have availed themselves of its aid, and quite a number of our prize-takers are men who have since become eminent as scientific pharmacists. Mr. Martin could make a lively speech on the deficiencies of the "weeklies of pharmacy" in general, but he will not acquire the position of a pharmaceutical authority by ungenerous sneers at a piece of honest, serious work, which he can have never carefully examined.

If imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, the A German originators of the Board of Trade's journalistic " Board of venture may well feel gratified. The German Trade Government have been approached by a number Journal." of influential commercial firms with a view to obtain the establishment of an official journal on the lines of that recently founded in this country. It appears that the habit of placing consular reports in official pigeon-holes to mature until no trace of their original freshness is left prevails in Germany as well as in Great Britain. The German business men, with whom the scheme has been initiated, have laid their views before Secretary of State von Boetticher, and have especially called his attention to the efforts of the British Government to render the costly consular service of the country more useful to the trading classes. The title suggested for the new German journal is "Consular Correspondence," and it is thought that Mr. von Boetticher's decision, which is shortly expected, will be favourable to the scheme.

A Repealed The advocates of the compulsory curriculum for pharmaceutical students are fond of point-Curriculum. for pharmaceurical statements with the times, ing out that they are moving with the times, and in accordance with the customs of the higher professions. It is therefore of some interest to know that an important section of the legal profession-viz. the Lords of Session, who administer Scotch law in Parliament Square, Edinburgh have recently taken action contrary to that which our pharmaceutical politicians are promoting. In an Act of Sederunt dated November 4 it is declared that "The fourth section of the Act of Sederunt anent examinations of Law Agents, dated 20th December, 1873, and also the first section of the Amending Act, dated 28th January, 1874, are hereby repealed. And it shall not be necessary for the future that any Applicant for admission as a Law Agent shall have attended the classes of Scots Law and Conveyancing in a Scottish University. But it shall be in the power of the Examiners, in conducting the examination of any Applicant for admission, to take into account whether such Applicant has or has not attended such classes." This new Act entirely reverses the custom which has been followed in the training of applicants for admission as procurators or law agents. Since 1865 they have been required to attend classes in the above-named subjects. This brought large numbers of above-named subjects. lawyers' clerks to the University towns during a part of their career, thereby flooding the law market with cheap labour for the students generally combine work with study. Now, the Lords of Session-all of whom are men of culture, while some have been connected with great educational schemeshave come to the conclusion, after a twenty years' experience, that the curriculum is unnecessary. It will be observed that this implies no alteration in the nature of the qualification, but simply that the students are now permitted to get their knowledge wherever and whenever they will; and that is what we advocate for the young pharmacist.

Heads of their Professions. A correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette has recorded a lively little story of the late Fred Archer, the jockey, and his almost equally eminent contemporary, Sir James Paget.

Archer, having been bitten or otherwise injured by a horse

on one occasion, called on Sir James Paget. The eminent surgeon having bound up his wound, Archer requested to know how long it would take to heal. "Oh," said Sir James, "I think in three or four weeks you will be all right."

"But shall I be fit for the Derby?" asked Archer.

"Ye-es," was the reply. "Oh, yes! I think you may go to the Derby.

"No, but you don't quite understand me, Sir James," persisted the joekey. "I mean, shall I be fit to ride."

"Well, I don't know," was the answer. "Better drive, better drive!"

Archer, rather taken aback by this very innocent and unexpected rejoinder, had to explain. "I am afraid Sir James, you scarcely realise who I am?

"No, said the surgeon, politely, referring to the patient's visiting card. "I see I have the honour of receiving Mr.

Archer, but-

"Well," said Archer, "I suppose I may say that what you are in your profession, Sir James, that I am in mine," and

proceeded to tell him what that profession was.

The famous surgeon, on learning the status of his visitor, was at once greatly interested, and asked him eagerly many questions, among others, What would be his loss supposing he should be unable to fulfil the Derby engagement? To which Archer replied, "About 2,000l." His average annual income he stated to be about 8,000l.; upon which Sir James is said to have remarked: - "You may well say that what I am in my profession that you are in yours. I only wish that my profession were half as profitable as yours."

The General Medical Council, at its meeting Disqualifieaheld last week, had under its consideration tion of certain additions to the standing orders sug-Dentists. gested by the Executive Committee in reference to dentists, and arrived at the following resolutions:-

"(a) That when the General Council has received notice from a licensing body that any qualification or qualifications have been duly and legally withdrawn from a registered clental practitioner by such body, provided that such qualification was not withdrawn on account of any of the causes mentioned in the eighteenth section of the Dentists Act, as insufficient to disqualify a person from practising dentistry, then the Council shall, if it think fit, by formal resolution proposed from the chair, direct the Registrar to remove such qualification or qualifications from the Dentists' Register.

"(b) If, under the direction of the General Medical Council, all the qualifications of any registered dental praetitioner have been erased from the Dentists' Register, then the Council shall, if it think fit, by formal resolution proposed from the chair, direct the Registrar to remove the name of such practitioner from the Register.'

It would appear that this resolution does not affect registered dentists who do not hold diplomas from licensing

bodies.

Testing the Analyst called forth several more letters from well-Analyst. Carried forth several moon several moon chemists, including Prof. Attfield and Mr. A. H. Allen. Mr. Allen points out that Dr. Hassall showed that 3 grains of strychnine are required to impart a bitter flavour to a gallon of beer. This statement appears to us to require corroboration. The public press has very freely commented on the subject. The Spectator says: -"The discussion seems to us to show that the Adulteration Acts should not require of the public analysts to discover all possible adulterations, but only the sort of adulterations which the ordinary adulterators of beer would find it most profitable to attempt. It may be, and is, we imagine, quite true that if beer and other sorts of food are to be really exhaustively analysed, a great deal more time and trouble and money would be needed than would be at all needful for the purposes in question. We do not blame the analyst for not discovering what he was not in the least prepared to suspect. But we do blame the Adulteration Acts for asking a sort of analysis which it would be impossible to secure under the actual conditions of the case." The policy of limitation is not altogether a commendable one. The Aberdeen Free Press shows this in saying:—"It is difficult to see what is the real value of these experts [public analysts]. The rogue who finds

that his favourite chemical or drug has been included in the list of suspected substances will very soon find a substitute."

A Big Idea. Under the title of the "United Specialities Proprietary and General Supply Association (Limited)" a curiosity in companies has just been registered. It appears that a certain Mr. Hatton Webb, of 20 Bucklersbury, is the proprietor of no fewer than 138 specialities, besides "veterinary remedies (various)," which would probably bring up the total to 150. Mr. Webb's inventive genius seems to have displayed itself right through the alphabet with the exception of X, Y, and Z, which he has not yet touched. The schedule of his discoveries begins with Anti-scorbutic Elixir, and finishes with Worm Cure, taking in on the road such various compounds as Baby Soother, Bug Destroyer, Colic Cure, Digestive Candy, Epicurean Sauce, Hair Remover and Hair Producer, Itch Ointment, Jams, &c. All this immense list Mr. Webb agrees to sell to Mr. George Bowaek, who acts on behalf of the new company, for 20,000 1/. shares therein, and 1 per cent. in cash for the rest of the capital subscribed, together with a certain royalty on sales only payable after the rest of the shareholders have received 25 per cent. The proposed company, whose registered office is at 39 Lombard Street, announces a nominal capital of 150,000l., and intends not only to manufacture and sell in the United Kingdom and abroad the specialities scheduled " and other productions of a similar character," but also to purchase any processes, trade-marks, and recipes, and to carry on the business of a co-operative society and general supply stores, and to conduct a series of businesses ranging from carpenters to diamond merchants, from chemists and druggists to liverystable keepers, and from dentists to bankers. A list of some 150 trades in which it is proposed to engage is given, and powers are prudently taken "to establish and carry on any other business or trade." The first sharcholders are one colonel (who is to be chairman of the company), three gentlemen with no occupation, two engineers, and one Nottingham manufacturer. Mr. Webb's 3 per cent. royalty after the payment of 25 per cent, to the shareholders will not be grudged by the latter.

THE BRITISH PHARMACOPŒIA.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

AT a meeting of the General Medical Council, held on November 17. Dr. Opain process of the Pharmacopæia Committee, which was adopted:

"The Pharmaeopæia Committee have to report to the Council that the first issue of 20,000 copies of the work have been disposed of, and that a reprint has been issued consisting of 3,000 copics, from the stereotyped plates, of which 730 have been already sold. The opportunity has been taken during reprinting of introducing into the body of the work such corrections as were found to be necessary. It may be noted that a list of these corrections can be had, without charge, from the Registrar, or from the publishers, by those who have purchased copies of the original issue.

"The committee further report that they have arranged with Professor Attfield to prepare an annual report on the revision hereafter of the Pharmacopæia. The following is the plan submitted by Professor Attfield for carrying out

this intention, and approved by the committee:

"Broadly, a reporter should present (annually) to the Pharmaeopæia Committee of the Council an abstract of the published researches and opinions which are or may become of importance in connection with any further revision or edition of the Pharmacopæia—researches, opinions, &c., published by therapcutists, pharmacologists, pharmaceutical chemists and chemists and druggists, scientific and analytical chemists, and botanists.

"Secondly, while leaving purely original experimental researches to the workers in the various public and private laboratories where such researches are conducted, a reporter should perform such experiments as may be necessary for the application of those original researches to the exact purposes of the Pharmacopæia.

"Thirdly, as regards suggested improvements of official processes, whether synthetical or analytical, a reporter should, when necessary, obtain experimental confirmation, or otherwise, of the suggestions, before reporting them to the committee.

"All this work, both literary and experimental, should be done regularly year by year; for the large and numerous areas of knowledge laid under contribution in revising a Pharmacopæia are fast getting too extensive to be properly investigated in any short period preceding the issue of a new

Pharmacopæia.

"As for the classification of the annual reports, I think it should pretty much follow the division of matter in the Pharmacopæia itself. That is to say, questions of general construction and literary arrangement, and questions relating to weights and measures, to chemical and general nomenclature and notation, to the uniform disintegration of drugs, to temperature, &c., may be treated first. Then would follow the consideration of new remedies and compounds proposed for addition to the Pharmacopæia, and of old remedies and compounds proposed for omission from the Pharmacopæia. Any suggested alterations in the names of official articles and preparations would next be discussed. Suggested alterations respecting any of the alphabetically arranged articles or monographs in the text and appendix of the Pharmacopæianearly 1,000 in number—would form the concluding portion, and, indeed, the bulk, of the annual reports-alterations relating to (a) leading names and associated synonyms, (b)definitions of articles of the Materia Medica, (e) descriptive characters of those articles, (d) mode of preparation of compounds, (e) characters and qualitative and quantitative tests of those compounds, (f) doses, and (g) additions to, omissions from, and alterations in, the cross references,

"There may also be some matters of importance to be considered which do not fall within either of the foregoing classes of subjects, as, for one example, the question as to whether or not any changes—and, if any, what changes—can be effected in a future British Pharmacopoxia to better adapt

it to Indian and Colonial requirements.

"The annual reports should, of course, contain clear references to all sources of information; so that the Committee, future editors, and all persons interested in the subject

could readily refer to all data.

"Finally, the hands of the reporter or reporters would be strengthened, and the reports would come before the Committee with greater weight, if draft reports, before presentation, were carefully considered by the three editors of the British Pharmacopæia, 1885, who, for this purpose, should be regarded as 'consultants.' The designation of a reporter would be, probably, 'Reporter on the British Pharmacopæia to the Medical Council;' the instructions to any such officer being, I presume, to report annually, on some such lines as the foregoing, to the Pharmacopæia Committee of the Council."

FRENCH PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS.

(From our Paris Correspondent.)

FERMENTATION WITHOUT YEAST.—According to a memoir presented on November 8 by M. Duclaux to the Academy of Sciences, direct sunlight bas the property of decomposing an alkaline solution of glucose into alcohol and carbonic acid without the help of yeast or any ferment. The paper not being yet printed, the details of the experiments cannot at present be obtained.

The Italian Faster, Merlatti, is, so far, the only one in the race, and at the last accounts was hopeful and hearty on his thirtieth day of fasting. On November 14 the record showed the following:—Pulsations, 76; temperature, 36.9°; respiration, 24; dynamometer, 138; spirometer, 2·100; urea, 5 grammes per litre. It looks now as if Succi were not going to begin his performance. He had obtained the adhesion of several physicians, none members of the Academy of Medicine, but still of some repute, who had consented to act as a committee. They made, however, certain conditions to ensure perfect fairness and scientific accuracy, but Succi has not as yet given them full satisfaction.

Dr. J. BÉCLARD, the secretary of the Academy of Medicine, has been elected Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, for three

years from November 18. M. Béclard, as is customary, is to keep, in the meantime, his chair of Professor of Physiology at the Faculty.

CANDIDATES FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE.—M. Marty, the well-known military pharmacist, at the last meeting of the Academy presented his claims as a candidate for the vacancy in the section of pharmacy caused by the death of Dr. Mialhe. For the seat of academician-at-large, now vacant also, five candidates, so far, have come forward, namely Messrs. Blache, Corlicu, Galezowski, Péligot, and Worms.

Public Opinion Favours Pharmacists.—At the general congress of syndical chambers just held in Paris, some more or less radical resolutions were adopted—in a Platonic or Pickwickian sense, it must be admitted, since they have no legal force. But a resolution declaring that grocers and herbalists should be allowed to sell all simple drugs, of any sort and in any quantity, was unanimously voted down by the congress.

THE PROPOSED NICKEL COINAGE.—The Bill presented by M. Alfred Letellier, now before Parliament, provides that the new coins sball be made with an alloy, composed of 25 per cent. of nickel and 75 per cent. of copper. They are to replace the bronze pennies now in circulation, which—thirty years ago considered an improvement—are now thought too cumbersome for our effeminate period. The weights would be 4.5, 3.5, and 2.5 grammes, and the diameters 24, 22, and 20 millimètres for the 20, 10, and 5 centime pieces respectively. In other words, the two-penny coin would weigh (in round figures) 70 grains, and have a diameter of 1 inch; the penny, 55 grains and nine-tenths of an inch; and the halfpenny, 39 grains and eight-tenths of an inch. The alloy, well-known and appreciated in America and Belgium, is almost silver-white, and remains clean when circulated. Various models of the new coin were presented to the Chamber of Deputies.

New SITUATIONS FOR ANALYSTS.—In accordance with a law recently passed, President Grévy has issued a decree ordering that a chemical laboratory shall be organised in connection with the Custom-house at Guadeloupe, West Indies, for the purpose of regulating the exportation of canesugar. There is to be a head chemist, at a salary of 10,000f. a year, with a preparator at 3,000f. For office expenses 400f. to be allowed yearly; 10,000f. are granted for the purchase of chemical balances, polarimeters, platinum capsules, glassware, tables, and apparatus in general. For the maintenance of the same, fuel, water, &c., 4,000f. a year; rent, 1,500f. a year; and, finally, 1,000f. are allowed for adapting the building to the purpose of a chemical laboratory. same provision is made for a like laboratory at Martinique, with like salaries and appropriations. Each colony is to pay its new laboratory and analysts out of its own revenues. Nobody will say the French Republic is unmindful of its chemists. In those places where a five-franc piece looks, as it were, as large as a cart-wheel, here are four snug positions for young chemists with good connections. And the best of it, the colonies will foot the bills.

Interfering with Chemical Industries.—A Bill, presented by M. Salis to the Chamber of Deputies, and now coming up for discussion, will, if passed, somewhat interfere with manufacturers of aniline colours. The Bill (1) formally prohibits the manufacture and sale of all colouring matters or substances intended for artificially colouring wines; (2) enacts for so doing, as penalty, a fine of from 100 to 5,000f., and an imprisonment of fifteen days to two years, together with publication of the conviction in several papers; and (3) directs that a ministerial order shall determine which are the forbidden colouring matters, in conformity with a list to be drawn up every six months by the Consulting Committee of Public Hygiene.

HELP FOR CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL PATIENTS.—The city of Paris has been given by will an important sum to be used for benevolent purposes. Mmc. Laborie, a widow, has left a bequest of 800,000f. (32,000l.), the income of which is to be distributed, in small sums of 1l. each, to indigent patients on their leaving the Vincennes Asylum. Every one acquainted with the helplessness of most patients just discharged from a hospital will approve of such intelligent charity.

Practical Jotes and Formula.

MEASURING LIQUIDS.

By A. A. BARRETT, Phar. Chem.

For measuring bulky liquids a very useful measure can be constructed out of an ordinary pottle bottle. Select one with a wide mouth and paste a strip of paper on it, back and front. Graduate it by pouring in pints or half-pints of water, as may be desired, and carefully mark with a pen the height of each successive addition. When filled, allow the paper to dry: size it, and varnish it, and you will then have a useful tool costing only a shilling, which having once used you will never again want to be without. A wide-mouthed bottle is selected because it can be emptied so much more readily than one with a narrow mouth.

In preparing deeoctions, according to the directions of the old Pharmacopœias, we are directed to boil down to a given volume. This is easily managed with only one measuring. Suppose we have to boil down a decoction of triticum repens to a pint. Place the triticum in the pan and pour on a pint of water. Now stand a glass rod vertically in the centre of the pan, notice the height the liquid reaches to, and attach a piece of gummed paper to the 10d, so that its lower edge touches the liquid. Add the remainder of the water and boil. You can ascertain at any moment whether the boiling is complete by inserting the glass rod.

SEDATIVE COUGH MIXTURE.

Potassii citratis	 	 	 3j.
Succi limonis	 	 	 5ij.
Vm ipecac	 	 	 3ij.
Syr. simplicis	 	 	 3iss.
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LINIMENTUM TEREBINTHINÆ.

WIDELY differing preparations under this name have been turned out by various makers, but the differences have been in most cases traced to, and are generally acknowledged to have been eaused by, the use of turpenting of various ages, and consequently of different degrees of oxidation. As turpentine ages it resinifies, thickens, and becomes acid; brought in contact with soft soap an acid resinate of potash is formed which does not give a perfect solution with the turpentine, but a thick, extremely soft, gelatinous emulsion, attractive in appearance, but which should not be dispensed as the official article. A fresh turpentine with either the official or commercial soft soap gives a thin, syrupy, opaque liniment, the opacity of which varies in some slight degree through differences in the amount of water in the soaps. Soft soap is known to be hygroseopic, and may even be characterised as deliquescent, for, as ordinarily kept, it is generally covered with a more or less fluid portion. If it be used in this state the resulting liniment will have a quite opaque or milk-like character. This, again, is not the official liniment, and the lesson it teaches is not to use a deliquesced

There 's just one feature of the official instructions with which fault can be found, particularly when making this liniment on a large scale. The soap, amounting to 2 solid parts, is directed to be mixed with 2 fluid parts of water—an operation by no means easy, and entails great loss of time. Working either on the large or small scale, we find that by dissolving the camphor in the turpentine, adding the soap and water, then shaking the mixture well a few times during twenty-four hours, the result is as satisfactory as it can be obtained.

If the liniment is made, as it should be, with the B.P. soft soap, it will have a green colour; the commercial soap imparts a pale yellow.—A. W. G.

RED INK.

An ink which does not corrode steel pens may be made by the following formula:—

				Oz.
Cochineal .			 	 3
Gum arabic ((in powde	r)	 	 7
Potass, tart.	cryst		 	 1
Aqua distill.			 	 8

Make a solution by boiling for a few minutes, filter, and add

CHRYSAMIN.

This colouring matter possesses, besides the remarkable property of dyeing cotton a bright yellow without the intervention of a mordant, one or two peculiarities of interest. Cotton dyed with chrysamin and then in a solution of malaehite green assumes a full shade of green, which is characterised by its great brilliancy. A similar shade is obtained by using methylene blue in place of malachite green. When topped with satranine a scarlet is obtained which is quite equal in brilliancy to Turkey red (yellow shade) or croccin scarlet. Magenta yields an equally brilliant shade of crimson. As to the effect of temperature in dyeing these mixtures, in the cold brilliant effects are produced; while if the solution is heated, the colour gradually loses its brilliancy, and a dull, worthless shade is the result. Experiment has shown that these different results are due to chemical change. Chrysamin produces various shades with metallic salts. Potassium bichromate, copper sulphate, and ferrous sulphate all deaden the original yellow, ferrous sulphate yielding a light brown somewhat similar to a catechu brown. Lime water yields an orange.

SPICED CATTLE-FOOD.

LOCUST-BEAN meal, 6 cwt.; Indian meal, 10 cwt.: linseed-cake meal, 3 cwt.; sulphur, 1 qr. 12 lbs.; saltpetre, 1 qr. 12 lbs.: common salt, 1 qr. 2 lbs.; fenugreek, 20 lbs.; gentian, 10 lbs.; sulphate of iron, 5 lbs.: aniseed, 4 lbs.; ginger (ground), 3 lbs.; total, 20 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs.

TO REMOVE THE ODOUR OF BENZINE.

THE disagreeable odour of benzine can be removed by shaking repeatedly with plumbate of soda, made by dissolving oxide of lead in caustic soda, and rectifying. Simply shaking with charcoal and filtering will partially remove the colour.

CEMENT FOR BOTTLES.

A CEMENT for bottles containing very volatile liquids, which is easily prepared and applied, and which is said to prevent the escape of the most volatile liquids, is composed simply of very finely-ground litharge and glycerine: and it is merely painted around the joint between the bottle and the cork or stopper. It quickly dries, and becomes extremely hard, but can be easily scraped off with a knife when it is necessary to open the bottle.

TO REMOVE NITRATE-OF-SILVER STAINS.

DIP the fingers into a strong solution of cupric chloride. In about a minute the silver will be converted into chloride, and may then be washed off with hyposulphite-of-soda solution.

WRITING AND COPYING INK.

The following process has been communicated by Dr. Kayser to the Bavarian Museum of Mechanical Arts:—Logwood chips are boiled in soft water until the decoction has a specific gravity of 1·028. Ten parts of bichromate of potassium are dissolved in 1,000 parts of water, and to the solution are added 100 parts crystallised sulphate of aluminium, 200 parts of glycerine, and 100 parts of sugar. The solution thus made is brought to a boiling-point and added to 10,000 parts of the logwood solution. The addition of 100 parts of a 50-per-cent, solution of acetic acid in water completes the process. The fluid is allowed to stand for seven days, when it will be found to have settled completely.—National Druggist.

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THE PRODUCTION OF THE "SENEGAL" GUM ARABIC.-The "Scnegal" gum of commerce is found in the territory of the tribes inhabiting several oases between the Senegal and the Atlantie Ocean; the largest forest gum trees are those of Sabel-el-Tatack and El-IIiebar; the former produce the white gum, which is most valued; the other the grey and red varieties. The acacia trees which grow in the desert are inferior to and have a more crooked appearance than those growing near the river, where the soil is more favourable for vegetation. The acacia of the desert rarely attains a height of more than 30 feet, and it has the shrivelled appearance which is peculiar to vegetation in these regions, which are exposed to strong winds. In Western Africa there are only two seasons, the rainy and the dry one. The nearer to the equator, the longer the duration of the rainy season. In Senegambia it lasts two months and is preceded and followed by a month of tempest. In November the bark of the gum trees cracks in numerous places and the gum exudes. About this time the hot winds begin to blow and the burnt trees lose their leaves, assuming the appearance they have with us during the winter. The gum dries quickly, outwardly it looks dull, but on breaking it it is brilliant and shiny; it becomes very transparent if put into the mouth for an instant. About a month is required to make the tree produce its full crop. The natives then prepare for the gathering in, and the whole tribe, men, women, and children, some on foot, others on horseback, proceed to the forests. A camp is established for the duration of the crop, and all set to work. The gum collected is placed in sacks of tanned bullock hide, which are fastened by twos to the backs of camels and bullocks. The work is done slowly, there being no fear of rain; when finished, the whole tribe return, and proceed towards the banks of the Senegal, which are at a great distance from Fort Louis. The merchants come to Galam, a small station situate about 1,000 kilometres from St. Louis on the Senegal, and there wait for the tribes and their crop of gum, which is generally paid for in printed calico, which the collectors resell in the interior.

BOTANICAL EXPLORATIONS IN COSTA RICA.—The district of Chirigui in Costa Rica, whence the bulk of the so-called Jamaica sarsaparilla comes, was lately explored by an English botanist, who gives an interesting account of his journey in The Gardeners' Chronicle. Among other things he mentions finding an anonaceous plant, probably a Hylepia, exhaling a perfume very like that of Cananga odorata (ylang-ylang), and a tree known as the "samba gum tree," which yields on incision a creamy-looking yellowish sap, which after a time becomes hard and resinous and then resembles the tenacious hog gum of Jamaica, the produce of Symphonia globulifera. He also met with a thin-coated cocoanut one-third larger than the ordinary kind, and which he thinks deserving of cultivation. The natives ornament their cheeks with paint made among other things from an oleoresin resembling elemi, yielded by a tree called "pontapée." This paint is prepared by burning the oleoresin and collecting the lampblack, a purpose for which it is doubtless well adapted.

PETROLEUM IN JAVA AND SUMATRA.—Guided by careful observations, the Dutch Government have reasonable ground for supposing that Java, Sumatra, and other islands of the Indian Archipelago possess large deposits of petroleum, which could be profitably worked. An engineer in the Dutch-Indian Civil Service, Mr. A. Stoop, has accordingly been instructed to visit the head-quarters of the American petroleum industry in the United States and Canada, in order to gain information concerning the working of petroleum springs.

The Salt Mountain of Palestine.—U.S. Consul Merrill states that this mountain is situated at the south end of the Dead Sea. Its length is six miles, width three-quarters of a mile, and height not far from 600 feet. The mass of the mountain is composed of solid rock salt, some of which is as clear as crystal. How far this deposit of salt extends below the surface the ground no one at present knows. This salt and that obtained from the Dead Sea are a Government monopoly. Consul Merrill believes there is a mine of wealth in the mountain, and if capitalists were allowed to work it, the prosperity of the country would be greatly increased.

PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION IN JAPAN.—In the report recently issued by the medical faculty of the Tokio University (Tokio Daigaku), the following passages occur with respect to pharmaceutical education in Japan. The Tokio University, which was originally an advanced school only, was founded in 1869. Its university title dates from 1877, when the existing medical school was incorporated with it. The university possesses four faculties—that of law, mathematics and physiology, letters, and medicine. The faculty of medicine numbers three different classes of students—the medical students of the first class, those of the second class (bekkai gaku), and the pharmacists. A youth who purposes to qualify himself for a pharmaceutical career must enter the faculty at the age of eighteen. His studies extend over three years, and at the end of that period he receives the diploma qualifying the holder to practise the art of pharmacy. The annual course at the university is divided into winter and summer courses. The former commences on December 1 and runs on until March 31, and the summer course lasts from June 1 until November 30. The holidays in the first course are a fortnight, in the second two months.

The lectures commence at 7 A.M. in summer and 8 A.M. in winter, and are from eighteen to twenty hours weekly. At the end of each course examinations are held, which the student must pass if he is to be admitted to a higher class. The lectures are given in the German language, and most of

the books used are in the same idiom.

The teaching comprises the following branches:—Physiology, six hours weekly during the first course; botany, three hours weekly in the first and six in the second course; inorganic chemistry, nine hours in the first course; zoology, three hours in the second course; mineralogy (as a substitute for botany), three hours weekly; organic chemistry is one of the principal branches, and taught up to nine hours weekly.

In the third course the students commence to learn the materia medica (six hours weekly) of Japanese and foreign drugs, while ehemistry is specially adapted to pharmaceutical purposes. The last part of the student's university education is taken up by pharmaceutical preparations, dispensing practice, and the testing of medicinal preparations.

DISCOVERY OF COBALT MINES IN QUEENSLAND.—Cobalt ore has recently been found near Kilkivan, in the Wide Bay District of Queensland. The ores of this metal were hitherto unknown in the colony, although the neighbourhood of Kilkivan was known to be rich in mineral products, including gold, silver, copper, mercury, and lead. Mr. F. Smith, who discovered the deposits under notice, reports that they come under the designation of earthy cobalt, and were mixtures of cobalt, nickel, iron, manganese, and copper, in somewhat variable proportions. They are ten miles distant from Kilkivan itself; the reef or lode of the ore now being opened is situated in one of the spurs near the heads of the Wide Bay Creek, and between the tributaries of that watercourse known as Fat Hen and Copper Mine Creek. The reef measures 21 feet in thickness, but it is not claimed that the whole of this is cobalt ore of the best quality. It is said that the Queensland ore contains no less than 22 per cent. of cobalt, which, if true, would render it more valuable than any other cobalt now in the market, as the average yield of the commercial cobalt does not exceed from 2 to 10 per cent. Cobalt is a mineral of which the price, to a great extent, depends on its supply, and the latter has hitherto been small; but no doubt with a greater output fresh uses for cobalt will be discovered and the mineral become more valuable. The existing statistics of the production of cobalt in many cases give the ore as of nickel and cobalt. In the United States, in 1882, the value was 3,000l., but the quantity raised was not stated. In Germany, in 1881, the statistics gave 191 tons, value 13,005%, equal to 68% per ton; in Spain, in 1882, 40 tons, value 1,046%, equal to 26% per ton; in Norway, in 1879 108 tons, value 11,112l., or 103l. per ton; and finally Sweden produced an average quantity of 153 tons per annum during ten years. The value of the ore of nickel and cobalt was given variously as from 40*l*. down to 4*l*., according to quality and locality. Kilkivan is situated in the Wide Bay district of Queensland, to the north-west of Brisbane, at about 26° S. Lat. and 153° W. Long. The Kilkivan branch of the Maryborough and Gympie Railway, which is about to be completed, will open up the district to commerce.

Trade Report.

It should always be remembered that prices quoted in this section are as nearly as can be ascertained the lowest that are actually paid for bulk quantities. Considerable allowances have to be added in many cases before ordinary prices can be ascertained, and for many drugs it must be recollected the range of quality is very wide.

MINCING LANE, November 25.

ACID (CITRIC) flat at 2s. $0\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb.

ALOES.—A consignment of 54 gourds Barbadocs aloes was offered in sale, and a part sold at 80s. per cwt. for fair quality. Of Cape aloes 144 cases were offered, about one-half of these selling at slightly easier rates: viz., 27s. to 25s. for good to fair, but somewhat soft, and down to 14s. per cwt. for very low quality. Curação are plentiful. The parcels offered included 20 boxes good to very fine pale liver, which sold quickly at 61. 7s. 6d. to 51. 15s., but the rest was of poor quality. 655 gourds sold at 41s. to 53s. per cwt. Good Zanzibar aloes are held at 110s. per cwt., and fine dry Socotrine at 160s. per cwt.

AMBERGRIS.—Some good quality, mostly whitish in colour and of good flavour, sold at 69s. to 70s. per oz., not dear, and a small quantity, low grade, at 10s. 6d. per oz.

ANTIMONY.—Crude Japanese is still neglected, 161. being the current quotation.

ARAROBA,—The 10 cases previously described were again offered to-day, and holders professed anxiety to realise.

ARGOL.—It is reported from Genoa that the Italian vintage has been an abundant one, yielding 35½ millions of hectolitres. The prices of tartar materials are expected to be influenced by this result.

BAEL FRUIT.—Sales were made without reserve at $\mathbf{1}_{\frac{1}{4}}^{1}d$. to $\mathbf{1}_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}d$. per lb.; and some fair dry quarters were bought in at $\mathbf{3}_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}d$. per lb.

Balsams.—Holders of *Copaiba* evince no anxiety to meet the market, being evidently of opinion that higher prices will shortly be obtainable. Some good thin Pará is held at 1s. 10d. per lb., while fair Maranham was bought in at 2s., which is above present value. Privately 1s. 10d. to 1s. 11d. is quoted for fair balsam. *Peru* may be bought in quantity at 4s. 9d. per lb., but there is no demand. The Hamburg market is again reported weaker. Forty-eight cases *Tolu*, mostly of soft quality, were offered, but found no purchaser. Holders ask 1s. 4d. to 1s. 5d. per lb.

BAY RUM.—Two cases from Dominica are held at 4s. per dozen bottles (in bond).

BUCHU LEAVES,—For some dull long narrow leaves, slightly mixed with flowers, $6\frac{1}{2}d$. was refused, while 4 bales round leaves sold at $3\frac{1}{4}d$. to 4d. per lb.

CALUMBA ROOT.—The market continues to be well supplied, but mostly with root of inferior quality. In sale 26s. was paid for good pale root, mixed with small, 22s. for fair, and 17s. 6d. to 18s. for dull wormy and dusty root. Our stock at the beginning of the month was 1,497 bags against 994 bags last year, but has grown during the last few weeks.

CAMPHOR.—About 200 tubs *Japanese* camphor were offered to day, about one half of these selling, partly without reserve, at 65s. per cwt, with good competition.

CANNABIS INDICA.—A small parcel of 12 bales good greenish dusty tops sold at 3d. per lb., a rather better price.

Cantharides.—An offer of 6s, per lb. for 2 casks dull Russian was refused, while some good sound Chinese flies sold at 4s. 6d. per lb.

Cardamoms.—The supply of 198 boxes was fairly representative. It included some very fine pods, which sold at a renewed advance, while seeds realised much higher prices, but the low class cardamoms show no change for the better. The following prices were obtained:—Manyalore, good smooth bold clipped, 3s. to 3s. 1d.; fair ditto, 2s. 6d. per lb. Ceylon-Malabar, bold pale heavy to smaller, 2s. 6d. to 2s. 2d.;

good medium-sized yellow, 2s. to 1s. 11d.; ditto brown, 1s. 10d.; small pale to brownish, 1s. 6d. to 1s. 4d.; long pale, 9d., and ordinary shelly, 6d. per lb. Aleppey character, small unclipped shelly, $8\frac{1}{2}d$. to 7d. Tellicherry, fair to small brown unclipped, $10\frac{1}{2}d$. to $4\frac{1}{2}d$.; seeds, 1s. 4d. to 1s. 9d. per lb.

CHIRETTA.— $\mathbf{1}_{4}^{3}d$. per lb. paid for 46 bales of inferior quality,

CINCHONA BARK.—A fairly large assortment was included in the drug auction, and small sales were made of fair pale quill Lima at 61d.; an odd lot of very common Maracaibo at 1d. per lb.; Guayaquil at 6d.; and fine flat yellow Calisaya at 2s. 2d. for sound to 1s. 2d. for badly damaged. 28 bales Java, rather weak, long quill, were bought in at 1s. 1d.; very long silvery ditto at 1s. 8d. per lb. A correspondent writes:— Some fifteen years ago experiments were made to grow einchona at Singapore, but the young plants would not flourish, and the attempt was abandoned. In some of the protected States, for instance Perak, cinchona is grown, but whether it will become a profitable product is doubtful. Some of the planters who have ground from the Sultan of Johore have also planted cinchona. Of these places, Perak, which is a protected State in the Malay Peninsula, is as yet the only one which can have trees fit for barking. The Hon. Sir Hugh Low has done much in promoting cinchona cultivation in Perak.

CIVET.—Five horns pale quality, fair flavour, were bought in at 6s. 6d. per lb. nominally.

Coca Leaves show no improvement whatever. Four bales, mostly sea-damaged, Huanoco leaves sold at 8d. to $8\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb. From Hamburg the article is reported decidedly firmer, the stock at that port having within the last fortnight been diminished by 15,000 kilos., partly for German and partly for American consumption.

COLOGYNTH.—Two cases immatured Spanish apple sold at $3\frac{3}{4}d$, per lb.

CUBEBS are again firmer, 18l. having been paid privately, it is said, for fine genuine berries. In drug sale 3 packages were taken out without quotation.

Cuscus Grass.—31 barrels good palish quality remained unsold.

ELATERIUM.—The price of 2s. 6d. per oz. is asked for fair greenish Malta.

ERGOT OF RYE.—45 bags Spanish ergot were offered, but none was sold except 4 bags wormy but sifted quality, which fetched 7d. per lb. Holders appear unwilling to accept lower values, which it is thought must rule before long, the supply of new crop Spanish ergot being in excess of the demand.

 ${\tt GALANGAL}$ ROOT.—180 bags bought in nominally at 10s, per cwt.

GALLS (TURKEY).—The market is dull. We hear of some small private transactions in *Blue Bassorah*, at 59s. to 60s. per cwt. *Green* are quoted at 55s., and *white* at 54s. per cwt., but these varieties are but little inquired for.

GLYCERINE very firm. German 1,260 s.g. held at 85l. by the maker's agents, and at 75l. by second-hand holders.

GUINEA GRAINS remain dear, although the article appears to have passed the highest point. In sale, 21s. was paid for good bright seeds; 20s. per cwt. is demanded for 30 bags, of rather stony description.

GUM AMMONIACUM.—54 cases placed in auction were all sold, holders appearing anxious to rid themselves of this old stock. Good palish drop brought 34s., a comparatively full price, and fair loose drop mixed with dust to slightly seedy yellow ditto, 29s. to 25s. Siftings sold extremely cheap, at 8s. 6d. to 5s. for fair to common. At the beginning of the month our stock was 250 chests, against 179 in 1885.

GUM ARABIC.—At the last auctions prices ruled very irregularly, common Aurad and Oomra gums selling at a heavy decline, in some instances 15s. per cwt.; while fine Amrads were but very slightly lower than before. In Barbary Gum we do not hear of any further business, but 110s. to 120s. is the value for ordinary to good gum, according to quality. In Ghezira and Talea buyers are holding off, and we do not hear

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of any transactions. The market for *Senegal* is unchanged, Bas du Fleuve is quoted 6l. 7s. 6l. to 6l. 10s., according to quality, and for Galam 6l. 5s. is asked. In *Turkey Sorts* we do not hear of any transactions at all. In drug sale 11l. 12s. 6l. was refused for some fair sorts.

GUM BENJAMIN.—Ten cases fine Siam gum, partly loose, partly blocked almonds, were shown and bought in at 26l. per cwt. Dull grey badly false packed Penang seconds sold at 5l. 12s. 6d., and fair almondy ditto at 7l. 7s. 6d. 7l. 17s. 6d. to 8l. 5s. was paid for fair II. Sumatra, falsely packed at the corners.

DRAGON'S BLOOD.—Three cases dark coloured old stuff in reed realised 61. 10s. to 61. 15s.

GUM ELEMI.—Ten cases inferior block were knocked down at 10s. per cwt.

GUM GALBANUM.—One case sold at 12. 01d. per lb.

GAMBOGE.—Out of 8 cases offered, 2 cases good coloured loose fragments sold at 101. 5s. per cwt.

GUM MYRRII.—Neglected. 42 cases, including some fine pale Aden sorts, were offered, but no sales ensued. Values remain as before, 67, 15s. to 77, 10s. for very good to fine bold pale Aden; 75s. for good siftings. At the beginning of the month our stock was 465 cases, about double that of last year.

Gum Tragacanth.—In public sale on November 19, 325 packages were offered, of which a part was sold at the following rates:—Syrian—thirds, 5l. 15s. to 6l. 10s.; fourths, 4l. to 5l. 10s.; pickings, 3l. 15s. to 5l. 2s. 6d.; common dark, 1l. 10s.; siftings, 4l. 15s. to 5l. The lots bought in included, Turkish, at 5l.; Syrian, fourths to firsts, 5l. 15s. to 9l. 10s.; Hog, at 25s. to 80s. In this day's drug sales dull heavy stout Bagdad realised 80s. to 85s.; while 9l. 15s. was refused for fine white.

Honey.—A total of 405 packages was placed in sale today, the bulk being old stuff which holders appeared anxious to realise. Sales were made of Chilian, dull old pale, at 18s. to 19s. 6d.; and of Californian, at 22s. 6d. to 23s. 6d. for fair thick pale, 18s. 6d. to 19s. for fair buff, 17s. for dull ditto, and 11s. to 12s. for common brown. The first shipments of Canadian honey have recently been made to Liverpool, put up in 10-lb. and 60-lb. cans. The white clover honey, from the Ontario apiaries, is said to be superior to the best extracted Californian product, and a large demand has sprung up for it in America, where it has realised from 9c. to 11c. per lb. It is stated that in one of the Ontario bee districts alone the yield this year is equal to about 1,200,000 lbs. of extracted honey. From the inauguration of this export trade in bee-products important results are anticipated in Canada.

IODINE has declined to $6\frac{1}{2}d$. per oz., but this decline has not as yet influenced the prices of the iodides, the manufacturers of these articles being full of orders. *Potassium iodide* is quoted at 8s. 6d.

IPECACUANHA about 1d. per lb. cheaper, but there was little offering, 2s. 11d. to 3s. 3d. was paid for rather woody to fairly well annulated root, and 3s. 11d. for fair short selected.

IRISH Moss.—Ten bales fine pale quality were bought in at 40s., but for the whole parcel a good deal less would, no doubt, be taken.

JALAP.—Small sales of mixed Vera Cruz at 61d. per lb.

KAMALA sold at $5\frac{1}{2}d$. to 6d. per lb., rather an improvement.

Kousso.—Twenty-eight bales were to-day offered without reserve, and sold cheaply at $5\frac{1}{2}il$, to $6\frac{1}{2}d$, per lb. for fair to good brown flowers in bundles.

LIME JUICE:—None was sold, but plenty raw West Indian juice offers at 1s. 3d. per gallon.

LIQUORICE ROOT.—Two bales very ordinary tasteless root realised 5s. per cwt., while 40s. was suggested for good bright decort cated root.

Musk.—Some arrivals have been received during the last few days, and in sale to-day a rather larger quantity was offered than was anticipated. Notwithstanding this prices improved greatly, Tonquin, File 1, being especially well competed for, and selling at 3s. 6d. to 4s. advance in some

instances. The following prices were paid: *Tonquin*, Pile 1, medium to bold pods, slightly damp, but well trimmed, with underskin, 72s. 6d. to 75s.; fairly dry rough ditto 77s.; small to bold, very broken, dark coloured pods, with underskin at 68s. to 69s. 6d. per lb.; good but false packed, Pile 3, 36s. to 42s. 6d.; *Cabardine*, Russian, rather juicy, 14s. 6d. for a quantity; grain 15s. 6d. to 41s. per oz.

Nux Vomica in good supply, but neglected. Quotations for sound vary from 7s. to 11s. 6d., according to quality. Stock on 1st inst., 1,184 bags against 739 last year.

OILS (ESSENTIAL).—The market has been very quiet, and there are hardly any alterations to report, although a movement is anticipated early next month. Almond.—In drug sale 6 bottles bought in at 10s. per lb. Aniseed.—6s. 4d. is asked for a parcel of good China star. Bergamot in fair request at 5s. 9d. to 6s. per oz. Cassia, good sweet unworked bought in at 3s. per lb. For 10 cases good Cinnamon leaf an offer of $1\frac{5}{8}d$. per oz. was refused. Citronella held at $\frac{15}{16}d$. per oz., at which price no buyers appeared. Lemon sells at 4s. 9d. for inferior quality. Limes.—1 case Dominica sold at 5s. per lb. Opoponax.—Sales of small quantities of this essence have been made through the week at 96s. per oz., and more can be had at the same price. Appearance and odour of this parcel are excellent. Orange.—The new crop is now arriving, and holders of old stock will in all probability have to accept lower prices soon. Otto of Roses is still quoted at 25s. per oz. for fine quality. Peppermint.—15s. 3d. was refused for 3 cases, offered as HGH brand, which are held at 15s. 6d. per lb., while 4 eases McK&R brand were bought in at 14s. without offer. One jar fair but rather damp menthol crystals sold cheaply at 5s. per lb. *Ylang-ylang*.—Some parcels were offered in drug sale, and bought in at 10s. per oz. A private holder of fine oil, "Sartorius" brand, asks the extreme price of 22s. 6d. per oz.

OIL (COD-LIVER).—Four casks of 40 gallons each, fair yellow Nenfoundland of somewhat sharp taste were sold without reserve at 2s. 3d. per gallon, bidding commencing at 1s. We call attention to a letter on the position of codiver oil appearing in our correspondence this week. We shall probably take occasion next week to again refer to the subject.

OILS (FIXED).—Eight tins oil of sweet Almonds held at 9d. Fine Dalmatian Castor bought in at $4\frac{1}{4}d$., and second Calcutta ditto at $2\frac{15}{16}d$. per lb.

ORANGE PEEL quite neglected. Good bright Seville ringlets held at 9d. per lb.

POTASSIUM BROMIDE and all other bromides are 1d. dearer owing to the combination in America, and the market for these articles is a very strong one.

QUASSIA WOOD neglected; 120s. per ton is the nominal quotation.

QUICKSILVER is now quoted at 71.5s. by the importer, and in second-hand at 71.3s.6d.

QUININE (SULPHATE).—We understand that German in bulk (BS) has sold at 2s. 2d. in second hand, and that a parcel of the CZ brand in one-kilo. tins has been offered at 2s. 1½d. per oz. The market closes very firm however. Messrs. Howards are unwilling to sell, and second-hand holders are able to obtain the official prices—2s. 8d. for bottles, and 2s. 6d. for bulk.

Rhubarb.—The supply was large, amounting to 182 chests, principally high-dried root; but only a few cases were sold, mostly at unchanged rates. Shensi, fairly good small round druggists' root, somewhat unsightly in coat, fetched the extraordinary price of 3s. 10d. to 3s. 11d. per lb., quite double the valuation; wormy bold round orange-coated Shensi sold at 1s. 5d. per lb. High-dried root sold as follows:—Bold to good pale, 11d. to 10 ½d.; wormy medium sized, 8d. to 8½d.; common spongy and wormy, 7½d. per lb.

SARSAPARILLA.—A fair business is reported for forward delivery, but in sale to-day prices were slightly easier both for Honduras and Jamaica, of which latter variety a large quantity was catalogued. The sales include: Good grey Jamaica, all more or less damaged, 1s. 7d. to 1s. 9d.; sound, 1s. 10d.; badly damaged ditto, 1s. 1d.; fair Honduras, 1s. 5d.; Guayaquil, 10d. to 1s. 1d.

ANISEED.—Russian is steady, and as the quotation for new seed, viz. 24s. to 25s., is a low one, many buyers are laying in stock at the present rate. A parcel dull seed, rather mixed with earth, stalk, and coriander, was offering yesterday at 24s. 6d. per cwt. Turkish anise is held at 30s. to 32s., while 52s. is paid for Spanish (Alicante). Of Chinese star anise 63 bags were offered, but all bought in at 80s. to 90s. nominally.

Annatto Seed.—11 bags fair but crushed Ceylon sold at 3d, per lb.

CANARYSEED has been exceedingly firm during the last fortnight, and previous prices were fully maintained. No new supplies came to hand from Turkey, and it is reported from Constantinople that within the last few days about 8,000 bags were sold there for shipment at 55s. to 60s. per 464 lbs. The destination of this seed can hardly be any English port. In Morecco-seed greater activity has prevailed, its present price of 54s. to 55s. per 464 lbs. being very moderate compared with the latest prices for Turkish seed, which we must set down at 53s. to 53s. 6d. From Holland fair quantities of seed have been imported at 55s. to 55s. 6d. for small grained, and 60s. to 61s. for bold seed. Of homegrown seed only very small parcels are being offered, not sufficient to influence markets. In Sicily and Algeria values are still too high to allow of an import trade to this country.

CARAWAYSEED.—The article is quiet, dealers being supplied for some time to come, and not inclined to speculate at the present range of prices. In Holland a great deal of this year's crop is still in farmers' hands, ready to come out as soon as a better inquiry sets in. 36s. to 37s. is the nearest value for *Dutell* seed on our market.

CROTON SEED is in good supply and sells well at steady rates: viz., 30s. 6d to 31s. for good Ceylon, and 24s. to 26s. for common to dark Bombay.

CUMINSEED maintains its price of 42s, per cwt. for Maltese; 27s. for Greek; and 28s. for East Indian seed.

FENNEL SEED is continuously inquired after, and supplies are short. Lecantine quality realises 20s.; European, 27s. per cwt.

FENUGREEK.—Fresh supplies from Morocco have come to hand, and there is also some East Indian seed on the road. 81. to 81. 10s. per ton are current values.

LINSEED commands a brisk sale at a slight advance for finest qualities. Sicilian, 50s. to 52s.; Canadian, 52s. 6d.; Dutch, 49s. to 50s.; fine Bessarabian, 45s. to 46s. per 424 lbs. Ordinary Russian seed sells at 40s. to 41s. East Indian descriptions very firm: Bombay, 44s.; Calcutta, 41s.

MUSK SEED—Eight barrels were offered in drug sale, but only 2 barrels West Indian sold at 5d. per lb. Good-seed is worth rather more.

MUSTARDSEED.—White is very quiet; English at 10s. to 12s., foreign at 8s. to 10s. per bushel. English brown is quoted at 12s. to 13s. per bushel, whole. Trade in Indian brown seed is steady at an unaltered price.

SENNA.—A large supply was offered, the total amounting to 288 bales, and the bulk was sold at steady, but on the whole not dearer, rates. The bulk offered consisted of common to medium grades. We quote fair to good boldish leaf, 7d. to $8\frac{1}{2}d$; fair to good medium, $5\frac{1}{2}d$. to $6\frac{3}{4}d$.; ditto slightly mixed, $4\frac{3}{4}d$. to $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; small fresh leaf, 4d. to $4\frac{1}{2}d$.; ordinary small mixed leaf, $2\frac{3}{4}d$. to $3\frac{1}{2}d$.

Squills selling slowly at $2\frac{1}{2}d$. to 3d. per lb.

Vanilla.—115 tins were offered, of which the bulk sold at decidedly dearer prices, the advance being from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per lb., but the lots offered included some which had been on show at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, and for which comparatively high prices were paid, viz., 22s. to 26s. for $7\frac{1}{2}$ in. to $8\frac{1}{2}$ in.

WAX (FISH).—Thirty-three cases fair Japanese squares sold at the very low price of 6s.6d. per cwt.

WAX (VEGETABLE).—Japan remains unchanged at 52s. 6d. per cwt. for good whitish tablets.

THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, November 12.

THERE continues to be quite an active distributive movement to supply the demand for home consumption, and for the season of the year business in the drug trade is reported to be much above the average. Export inquiry continues slack.

The prices sterling (in parentheses) are what the different articles would cost delivered in London, all market allowances, discounts, &c., being taken into account. Importers can therefore see at a glance the course of this market compared with their own.

ACETATE OF LIME.—The makers still hold out for high figures, so that up to the present no contracts have been made for next year. The price demanded is 10%, per ton c.i.f.

ALOES (CURAÇOA).—There is no cessation in arrivals; 100 boxes came to hand this week, for which 3½c. (17s. 6d.) is asked. It is noticeable that with the decline in price there has been a corresponding lowering in quality.

Balsams.—Copaiba still keeps moving upwards. Pará sold at 42c. (1s. 10d.). There is no Maranham or Maracaibo offering, and Angostura is quoted 40c. (1s. 9d.) Stocks, in spite of being replenished from London, are getting greatly reduced. Tolu became a little weaker, on account of large arrivals from the South. These have now been all taken for consumption, and a firm feeling again prevails. Sales are reported at 38c. (1s. $8\frac{1}{2}d$.). Canada is dearer again, 32c. (1s. $5\frac{1}{2}d$.) being generally demanded for prime bright pure balsam.

COCA LEAVES are in large supply, and cheaper. Good green Huanoco are quoted 20c. $(11\frac{1}{2}d.)$, while the light green Truxillo cannot find purchasers at any price.

ESSENTIAL OILS.—Anisced is high here at present, being quoted \$1.75 (7s. 6d.). Cassia rules at 60c. (2s. 8d.). Pennyroyal neglected at 75c. (3s. 4d.). Sassafras unchanged, at 36c. (1s. 74d.). Wintergreen steady, \$2.10 (9s.) in tins.

QUININE SULPHATE.—The improvement noted in our last report is well maintained, and in some quarters higher rates have been established. The official price of I'. & W.'s make in ounces remains at 65c. (2s. 9d.). Prime German brands are 55c. (2s. 4d.), in 100-oz. tins.

ROOTS.—Golden Scal is getting scarce, and will probably be dearer; 20c. (Π^1_2d .) is asked for small lots, while no large parcels are offering. Juliup.—The holders here evince no desire to sell; the market is nominally 12c. (6^3_4d .) for prime, dark heavy. Scarga neglected, but firmly held. Scargenturia quoted at 38c. (1s. 10d.).

SPERMACETI.—Large transactions have taken place, and the market is firmer. Very little can be had for prompt shipment; quoted 44c. $(1s.\ 10\frac{1}{3}d.)$.

COTTONSEED OIL.—The small offerings of new summer yellow sell at 38c. (25*l*.), but the market is dull and inactive.

PEPPERMINT OIL.—This important article has advanced, and this year again the "bulls" have got the better of the "bears." It will now be seen how erroneous were the statements circulated about the size of the crop, and that there was no foundation for the assertion made in certain quarters that the production was double that of last year. To-day large transactions are reported to have taken place in the II. G. Hotchkiss brand at \$3.40 (15s. 6d.), and now \$3.50 (16s.) is asked. Stock on the spot appears to be scarce, while there are no sellers for future delivery. The farmers in Wayne county have held on to the great bulk of the crop, and will probably raise their price when they hear of the improvement here. Before this report appears in print the London and Continental markets must also have improved, but buyers cannot but admit that they were warned of the impending advance in this column. As to pure bulk oil in tins, it cannot be bought under \$3 (12s. 9d.) now, and will not long remain at this figure. Buyers should be very particular as to the brand of oil they buy this year, for never before in the history of the article was such mixing carried Reliable on as is taking place in Michigan this season. authorities state that with very few exceptions all the oil they have seen from that State has been tampered with, being wholly or partially dementholised, and in some cases mixed with other oils.



Memoranda for Correspondents.

Always send your proper name and address: we do not publish them unless you wish.

Write on one side of the paper only; write early; and devote a separate sheet of paper to each query if you ask more than one, or if you are writing about other matters at the same time.

If you send us newspapers please mark what you wish us to read.

Ask us anything of pharmaceutical interest: we shall do our best to reply.

Letters, queries, &c., not noticed in this issue will, if possible, be attended to next week.

The Pharmaceutical Society v. Widows.

SIR, — Permit me space in your most valuable journal to make a few remarks on the case which was contested at Warwick on the 16th instant. I believe it to be unfortunate for the Pharmaceutical Society that they should have singled out this particular business as the commencement of their crusade against widows—and the reason, perhaps, is known only to a few, to none better than myself. The proceedings were based on an infraction of the 15th section of the Pharmacy Act, which, the judge has ruled, is covered by the 16th section. Here is the widow of a F.C.S. and M.P.S. discharging the duties of executrix to her late husband's will, for the maintenance of herself and family, and it seems monstrous that she should be denied the same privilege as that of any other tradesman's widow. The principle of the foundation of the Pharmaceutical Society is to protect the public, and their interests in this case are cared for by two registered chemists, and so it appears more difficult to understand such vexatious persecution by demanding penalties (by return of post), apparently with the intention of recouping their exchequer.

I am, yours obediently,

Leamington Spa, November 17. E. A. Holloway.

SIR,—Your report of the case recently tried at the Warwick County Court—The Pharmaceutical Society v. Judd—will excite more than local interest. I am very pleased at the result, and I sincerely hope that, if the case be taken to a higher court, the present decision will be upheld.

It is within the range of possibility that my own family may be placed in the same position as that of the late Mr. Judd; and should that be so, and such an arbitrary prosecution should be again undertaken by the Pharmaceutical Society (which I think, by the way, might well direct its energy into other channels), I trust that the hearing of the case may come on before so common-sense and painstaking a judge as that of the Warwick County Court.

I cannot think what on earth possessed the Pharmaceutical Society to prosecute, or who instigated the prosecution. I have been accustomed for many years to regard it as a wise regulation clause in the Pharmacy Act that a widow or executors should, if they wished, conduct the business of a deceased chemist for the benefit of his family; and however the Pharmaceutical Society put aside the words of the statute which, his Honour the Judge remarked, were so

simple, I do not know—possibly the Pharmaceutical Society does not know also.

So far as I can see, the whole of the conditions laid down in the statute have been observed, and chemists like myself who do not contemplate living for ever—at least, in this mundane sphere where chemists' businesses are carried on—will be glad to see this question scttled once and for ever in their lifetime.

The number of chemists' families affected by this decision will not be small, and, without venturing my opinion in opposition to that of the solicitors for the plaintiffs, I think the Society will do well to let the case rest where it is, and that it will decide never again to venture upon the prosecution in a similar case, which, I am inclined to think, was one which might have been well let alone.

York, November 20.

EDWARD B. KENDALL.

Linimentum Terebinthinæ.

SIR,—I was under the impression that the lin. terebinth, question had been thoroughly sifted, but it appears from Mr. Conroy's paper, as reported in this week's CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, that he has not yet succeeded in making a satisfactory liniment strictly in accordance with the B.P. (1885) process.

I prepared a small quantity about three weeks ago, using exactly the quantities stated in the B.P., the result being a splendid, perfectly liquid liniment of the consistency of new milk, with a slight yellowish-green tinge, which, up to the present time, has not shown the slightest indication of separating. I used sapo mollis, B.P. (fresh stock, and picked from the centre of the jar), ol. tereb. rect. (prepared by A. & H.), together with a good amount of patience and care.

The modus operandi was as follows:—Put the ol. terebinth. in the bottle with the camphor, and shake them together until the camphor is dissolved. Place the soft soap in a mortar; add the water gradually, and rub them together until a perfectly uniform mass is produced. Now add the turpentine in small portions at a time, taking care to have one portion thoroughly mixed before adding the next.

It took me about half an hour to make it.

If Mr. Conroy desires, I will send him a small quantity, and I think he will agree with me that it is a perfectly satisfactory preparation. I may add that the first quantity of lin. terebinth. I made—which was soon after the new B.P. was published—was a perfect failure. In this case I used ordinary ol. terebinth, and sapo mollis, B.P. It never appeared to thoroughly mix, and after being kept a few weeks most of the turpentine separated, leaving the soap in lumps, and no amount of shaking would cause them to unite again. I poured off the turpentine, and placed the masses in a mortar; and, after using plenty of elbow-grease, the turpentine being gradually added caused them to unite, forming a stiff jelly, in which the pestle would stand upright.

Forest Hill, S.E., Nov. 23.

Yours truly, S. W. HEATON.

SIR,—Linimentum Terebinthinæ, B.P. 1885, has given me trouble, and perhaps your readers would like to know my experience. Made with sapo mollis, B.P., and in a warm mortar, commercial turpentine failed to make a mixture—only a conglomerate mass of sediment covered by a clear fluid of about $\frac{1}{6}$ its bulk.

Having three samples of ol. terebinthinæ, B.P., I tried all, and each produced a different result, under the same conditions and with the same soap. One of these was quite limpid and a beautiful liniment, in appearance like lin. terebinth. acet., B.P. The others were much like the impure article mentioned above, differing only in degree of admixture, but neither of them gelatinous.

The pure turpentine was from Howards & Sons and Barron, Harveys & Co., the sapo mollis, B.P., from the latter firm, so

of course were thoroughly reliable.

Can you refer me to a description of the liniment by Dr. Attield, or such high authority, as, if any exist, I have overlooked it?

Your readers will do well to examine liq. epispasticus, B.P. Mine has failed, and the wholesale people write to inform me they cannot produce a blistering fluid by B.P. process.

Yours faithfully,

Belfast, Nov. 22.

James J. Goskar.

[A note on this subject will be found on p. 714.]

Curious Potassium Chlorate.

SIR,—I recently ordered potass, chlor, from my wholesale house, and, on receipt of the substance sent, I triturated a small portion thereof in the mortar with sulph, sublim. To

my surprise not the slightest effect was produced. I sent a sample of the substance back to the wholesale house, and it was then submitted to chemical analysis. The chemist reports that he finds the substance to be "potass chlor of a very pure quality." What, then, becomes of the test in Squire's "Companion"—"Explodes when rubbed in a mortar with sulphur"? I am quite in the dark. Will you or a correspondent kindly say, "Fiat lux."

November 2. W. R. J. (3/245.)

[Please send us a sample of this "chlorate."]

Wanted, Hard Water.

SIR,—Could you, or any of your numerous readers, kindly favour us with a good reliable formula for "hardening rainwater." Here, on this mud flat, we have no springs, except such as are brackish, and are entirely dependent on rain-water for drinking and cooking purposes. We manufacture aërated waters, and find we cannot produce that crisp and sparkling taste and appearance so peculiar to drinks made from hard spring-water. We imagine, if we could harden our rainwater, we could produce a better result, and will be obliged if any of your readers could give us a hint how to do this.

Yours faithfully,

West Indics, Oct. 29.

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[This rather unusual demand may be satisfied by adding from 4 to 8 oz. of lime-water to each gallon of rain-water. The carbonie acid gas will convert the lime into chalk, which will, of course, dissolve in the excess of the gas. The lime used should not be washed.]

Keeping Labels.

SIR,—Mr. R. M. Roberts's method of keeping labels can be improved upon by putting a piece of wood (part of eau de Cologne boxes) the same size as the label at the bottom of each packet. It prevents the labels from curling by heat or otherwise. I have found it answer most effectually. I introduced it about nine years ago and have not seen it mentioned before or since.

Woking, November 20.

F. Cox.

The Proposed Curriculum.

SIR,- Than at the present moment at no time has there been more need that all sober men should consider well the position of the trade, and the policy advocated in some quarters for bringing about an improvement therein. Things are bad, things may be worse, things may be made worse by regulation. We are at one moment told we exist in too great numbers, and ought to be diminished. At another the hypocritical regret is expressed "see how many unfortunate candidates are a failure at their examinations; in Heaven's name give them a curriculum that they may get through their ordcal the better," and so we may have more members and more competition. How are we to understand an editor who blows hot and cold in this manner? Something near a true motive may be found in the Pharmaceutical Journal, page 361, in the childish whine beginning "There is one thing can save it," &c., and 392 of the same publication, "on all sides we hear of the discouragements," &c. Should the law be altered to suit educational agencies, or educational agencies adapt themselves to law? The project of curriculum itself is chiefly to be condemned when we regard it as a means to an end, and that such an end as your readers may find adumbrated in Pharmaceutical Journal, p. 368, "To such an extent has this state of things," &c., and page 392, "It may involve the disruption," &c. This is cool. Here you have the vult perdere prius dementat in lively operation. The enthusiastic editor would seem to wish to make a Pride's Purge of our business. Ah, if the power were equal to the will! Your subscribers, I hope, will read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the passages cited above, observing well the insolent folly of those articles, their intolerance, and whitherward such policy may tend; what sort of tyranny we may be preparing for ourselves; and, indeed, whether it may not be advisable to refrain from strengthening the hands of the Pharmaceutical Council in an attempt to force the Privy Council

or cajole the Parliament; and not only so, but to meet "the new crusade," as you call it, with earnest and decisive condemnation.

A VERY OLD CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST.

The Effect of Light on Vegetation.

SIR,—We have heard of the effect of electric lighting on plants, but perhaps it may be new to some of your readers that the humbler gas light has some effect too. In this town there are trees planted on the side walks, in some eases close to the street lamps. I have noticed for the last four autumns, when taking my "ghastly constitutional," as a recent correspondent ealls it, that those trees which are nearest the lamps retain their leaves on that side when the other part of the tree is bare. I do not mean that all the leaves are retained, but they do not fall off so fast, and the more powerful the light the thicker the leaves are. I have not marked so great a difference this year, because we had a heavy gale a short time since, which blew a salt spray all over the town and greatly damaged all vegetation; still, it is noticeable even now. I should be glad if any readers who are in a position to observe will kindly notice any trees so situated and report. Leamington ought to be a good town from what I remember of it.

Landport.

I am, sir, yours truly, FREDERICK GALL.

Transparent Soap. — Referring to the query 72/252, "What are l'ears' 1s. tablets perfumed with?" Soap Boiler tells us that a similar soap may be made by drying John Knight's best primrose soap until ore-third of its weight is lost, shaving it up very thinly and dissolving it in a sufficient quantity of methylated spirit to effect solution. The methylated spirit is, previously to being added to the yellow soap, percolated through yellow sandal wood sawdust, which hides the methyl odour. When solution is effected a saturated syrup of cane sugar is added hot, to the extent of one-third the bulk of the soap solution, and well mixed. The whole is then perfumed with oil of geranium and oil of cassia and poured into frames; when set it is cut up into bars, and these bars into squares about the size of the tablets; these are then stamped out into shapes and set aside to mature, which occupies about nine months before they are fit to be sent out for sale.

Pharmaeopœia Corrections.

SIR,—No one appears to have noted an error in page 202 in the formula for making hydrarg, ammoniatum. Omit 3 pints in line 10, and substitute a sufficiency; and omit the second the in lines 11 and 13.

Your Heder. (257/62.)

Butyl-Chloral Hydrate.

SIR,—In the B.P. test for this substance the following passage occurs:—"It does not yield chloroform when heated with solutions of potash or soda, or with milk of lime." This definition seems rather vague, and of four samples examined by us, all gave a strong smell of (or similar to) chloroform; we wish to know whether this is to be taken as indicating contamination with chloral hydrat., or might it be caused by the formation of allylene dichloride?

A. L. DORAN.

[A comparison of the behaviour of chloral hydrate and butyl-chloral hydrate towards either of the alkalies named will reveal the difference, and the point which the Pharmacopæia indicates. Allylene dichloride is one of the products of decomposition of the butyl chloral, but the odour of this body resembles that of other halogen compounds of allylene, viz. pungent and terebinthinous. We should be glad to have a sample of the articles examined by Mr. Doran.]

The Position of Cod-liver Oil.

SIR,—With reference to the article which appeared in last Saturday's edition of THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST on "The Position of Cod-liver Oil," we find the same to contain several entirely misleading points, and therefore beg you to allow us to state a few facts relating to the same.

In the first place, the failure of the Arendals Privatbank, Arcndal—not a Bergen firm—would have no influence on the manufacturers and holders of cod-liver oil in Bergen and the northern towns in Norway, as the bank was trading nearly solely amongst the shipowners, timber exporters, and manufacturers in the southern and eastern part of the country, where no cod-liver oil is produced. And further, so far from that the described consignment of cod-liver oil, &c., from Bergen should indicate a further depreciation in the prices of steamrefined cod-liver oil—the same have within the last month been advancing upwards of 15s. per cask, as well in Bergen as on the other principal markets.

This so far as the alleged rumour is concerned.

Now, as regards the season for the Norwegian codfishing; the same does not, as stated by your reporter, commence in December and end in March. The codfishing season in Norway is generally divided into two parts-what is called the "Lofoden Fishing" taking place in the districts of Lofoden, Romsdal, Söndmöre, and Nördmöre; and the "Finmarken Fishing," in the most northern parts of the country.

The first fishing begins in Lofoden sometimes as early as the end of January, but generally cannot be regarded as earnestly commenced before the middle of February, and is at an end about Easter time, when the fishing-fleet proceeds to Finmarken, where the fishing begins about the middle of April, and ends in the early part of June. Consequently new season's Lofoden cod-liver oil cannot reasonably arrive in this market before the end of February, while any large quantity cannot be expected before the end of March; and of Finmarken cod-liver oil no important supply can arrive here before the course of May.

The fact that the codfish is in its finest condition when the fishing commences in Lofoden in February, and gradually loses in fatness as the season advances and the fish proceed along the coast, together with the facilities which Lotoden offers in the way of enabling the fishermen to bring the fish to the shore only a few hours after its being caught, so that the oil can be prepared from entirely fresh liver, accounts for the better appearance and rich quality of the Lofoden oil.

The figures given representing the production of steamrefined cod-liver oil are incorrect to an astonishing degree, coming nearer to Norway's total productions of all kinds of fish oils than to that of cod-liver oil. The exact production, according to the official reports, was in the last three years as follows :-

		1884 Barrels	1885 Barrels	1886 Barrels
Lofoden, including Romsd	als			
Sönd and Nordmöre		6,850	8,610	17,500
Finmarken	• •	7,200	6,200	1,850
Total		14,050	14,810	19,350
Equalling	to	ons 1,405	1,481	1,935
of steam-refined cod-liver oil.				

It will be observed that the production of cod-liver oil in Lofoden last season was very considerable, while that in Finmarken was but of very small dimensions. This had its reason, not only in the fact that the fishing in Finmarken was comparatively small this year, but also because manufacturers, cautioned by the large production in Lofoden, which at once brought the prices down to such a point that the oil could not be made at the price, instead of producing steam-refined cod-liver oil at a high expense, simply manufactured what is sold as cod oil, and especially used by tanners and never for medical purposes.

The supposition that cod oil is pressed from the head and the body of the fish is an entirely wrong one. Genuine cod oil is produced from the liver of the cod fish and nothing else, by a more simple and less expensive process than that employed in the manufacture of steam-refined cod-liver oil. At the low prices prevailing last season steam-refined cod-liver oil was employed for many purposes for which it never had been used before, and this, together with the fact that America acted as an exceptionally large buyer, considerably reduced stocks, which at the present moment are by no means large, and hence it stands to reason that prices will further advance before new season's oil comes in; and as far as the prices of the coming season are concerned, it is beyond doubt that, unless the fishing shows an extraordinary good

result, the value of the article will be considerably beyond last season's, this more especially so because on account of the extremely low prices of Norwegian cod-liver oil only a very limited quantity of steam-refined cod-liver oil was produced at the Newfoundland fishing this season.

We are, sir, yours most respectfully, Crutched Friars, E.C., Johnsen & Jörgensen. November 23.

Analysts and Analysis.

SIR,—The report of the Bedford Town Council Food and Drugs Committee exposes a danger we are placed in, and appeals on selfish grounds alone to the claim the Chemists and Druggists' Trade Association has upon us for pecuniary assistance. If it is possible for a sample to be pronounced genuine that is not so, then it follows that it is almost more possible to pronounce a sample adulterated that is genuine. But few of us, alas! have it in our power to defend ourselves single-handed against a false charge, for even success is an expensive luxury—and I doubt not many cases of conviction, if fought out properly, would have resulted in successful clearance from the charge. Union is strength, and many can help one when one cannot help many. The Association therefore deserves support on a more liberal scale than it has yet received. We need not look for any help from "the Society"; even one of its members condescends to reap credit where it is not due, and to cast reflection on men who are every whit as good and conscientious tradesmen as him-

I wrote a letter to one of the provincial papers that published an article on the Chelsea report, to show that by omitting to give Messrs. Seaton and Hehner's report rerbatim a false impression was given to the public as to errors by chemists and druggists; but I would have scorned to do what you say Mr. Smith of Torquay has done. The report did not distinguish between chemist and druggist and pharmaceutical chemist, and it is much to be regretted that this spirit of separation and assumed superiority should be manifested. While this is so, need we wonder so little sympathy is expressed for "the Society"? I hope my brethren who are only registered chemists and druggists will at least show that, if they are not enrolled among the "upper ten," they have a sense of moral right that tells them such a way of explaining an unfair summary may show smartness, but certainly is open to be called unfair also.

CORRIGENDA, (25/251.)

The Exchange Column.

Just a line to speak of the advantages of your Exchange Column. I advertised last week to sell and to buy. I could have sold the three things four times over, and one post brought me three offers of what I wanted. Make what use you like of this.

Yours faithfully, r 12. J. E. EASTMAN. Lower Tottenham, November 12.

Jury Service.

SIR,—As a warning to other pharmaceutical chemists, l wish to show how particular they should be to see that their names are not on the Juries' List issued every September, if they really wish to be free from service. One of the great reasons many pass the Major examination and become pharmaceutical chemists is undoubtedly because they thus hope to escape jury work. A few weeks ago I was startled to receive a summons from the High Sheriff of Yorkshire, requiring my attendance at the ensuing winter assizes at York Castle—which, I may add, means about a week's, more or less, entire absence from business. I at once put myself in communication with the proper officer, showing how I ought to be exempted from attendance at the court, as I am a registered pharmaceutical chemist in actual practice, and also showing how very inconvenient it would be to me, as I had no assistant to leave in charge of my shop, only a young apprentice-but all to no avail. If this only acts as a warning to other chemists whose names ought not be on the Juries List I shall be well pleased, and feel I have not written in

HENRY J. PRATT. York.

Hop Bitters Prosecution.

SIR,-As I have so many inquiries as to the particulars of the case brought against Mr. Platt, Matlock, and myself by the Hop Bitters Company in June last, perhaps you will allow me a little space to put the particulars and result in their proper light before the trade. We both received writs to appear before the High Court of Justice, without any previous notice whatever, in ten days from receipt of writ, to show why we had infringed the copyright of the Hop Bitters Company. Having been a member of the Trade Association at Birmingham from its birth, I naturally turned there for some help and advice. But the application was refused on the ground that the Association had no funds at their disposal to defend actions of this kind. This was very painful, as we now felt we should have to fight at our own expense a powerful, wealthy company. The matter was then left in the hands of Messrs. Glaisyer and Porter, the Association solicitors, to make the best of. They recommended that as we had ignorantly used labels which had a device somewhat similar to the Company's (viz., a picture of hop flowers and leaves), we should leave the matter in the hands of the Court and make no defence, as we should get off more cheaply than by engaging counsel to defend us. This is how the plaintiffs obtained judgment against us and a perpetual injunction so easily, we to pay all costs, which together were over 100%. The printers were the most to blame in both cases, for the labels were obtained from well-known houses, who had supplied the same to hundreds of different customers in various parts of the kingdom, and we were told were quite safe and not infringing the rights of anyone. Chemists must therefore be very eareful in choosing labels which have no floral device, such as hop flowers or leaves, in the future. If they have labels of such a character, our advice is to destroy the whole at once. Since this prosecution my sales have considerably increased, especially for Hop Tonic packets, each packet containing sufficient roots and barks to make one pint. I may add that personally I have never sold a bottle or packet to anyone and informed the customer that the same were American Hop Bitters. Such practice I consider wrong; but there is a demand amongst the working-elasses especially for a cheaper tonic bitter than we can supply from the American Company at 3s. 6d. I have no animosity against the Hop Bitters Company, but I found that scores of my customers would not pay so much for a bottle of medicine, and whenever I could I always supplied the original article. Now that my brother-chemists know where the danger lies, they will know how to act so as not to allow themselves to fall into a similar error as we have done. It would be well, I may add, always to have a written agreement from the printer when these labels are ordered, so that in future prosecutions they shall pay all expenses if the trial goes against the chemist so using them, as otherwise chemists may be almost ruined, the eosts being so great in the Higher Courts, and no help is to be expected from the Association at Birmingham because of their having no funds to defend eopyright prosecutions. Let me here thank the many kind friends who have written letters of sympathy under these painful circumstances.

York. Henry J. Pratt.

Prescribing Chemists.

SIR,—In the British Medical Journal of October 23 it is stated that the Apothecaries' Company is the only corporation in this eountry which possesses any power of protecting the public from the danger arising from prescribing chemists and druggists, a most numerous and by far the most dangerous prescribing quacks—who, in poor neighbourhoods, with gimlet eye, assume to penetrate the physical coverings of the patients who apply to them across the counter.

All this is very easily explained. The chemist of to-day in small towns or poor neighbourhoods would be unable to live if it were not for the few shillings carned by prescribing. Why? Because doctors dispense their own prescriptions, and in most cases retail drugs and even patent medicines: so if chemists are to have their prescribing taken from them, they should in return be protected from medical men keeping open shops or surgeries to compound and sell medicines. The grievance will never end until this is attained. One never hears of these troubles on the Continent,

because a medical practitioner, even though he be also a pharmacien, is unable to keep open shop or even dispense medicines of his own prescribing, nor can a pharmacien choosing that profession, even though he be a qualified doctor visit or write a prescription. It must be clear that, should a doctor poison a patient by accident, or through the careless dispensing of his wife or page-boy, he has a licence to give a death certificate; but in the ease of a chemist it is quite different. If medical men mean to protect the public trom the dangerous and gimlet-eyed quack, the public must demand also to be protected from the danger of being poisoned or taking drugs of bad quality from their medical man or his ineflicient employés.

ris. II. GLANVILLE

57/250. M. P. D.—We do not recollect the article.

70/255. Admirer. — Gripe Water. — See article on "Gripes," in The CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, March 20, 1886. Golden Hair Dye. — A 10-per-cent. solution of peroxide of hydrogen, as supplied by the wholesale druggists, is what is usually sold. Eye Ointment.—Two grains of yellow oxide of mercury to the oz. of vaseline.

74/249. E. C.—Glyeerinum Pepsin.—If you have not fresh pigs' stomachs available, you will find the following tormula satisfactory:—

Pepsin porci			 	 3vj.
Dilute hydroch	loric	acid	 	 3iv.
Water			 	 3 v.
Glycerine, to			 	 311

Macerate the pepsin in the water and acid for a day; then add the glycerine, and macerate for a week; then filter. (For methods of quick filtration, see our Diany for 1887.)

48/248. H. A. C. (Bombay) asks "suggestions regarding materials for giving a good copying power to the ordinary blue-black or violet ink, so that the ink should dry immediately on writing, and should give at least two copies after at least two days, or (if possible) after two months."

[Sugar, gum arabic, and dextrin (British gum) are used. A mixture of the former and latter should suit.]

52/251. Fred Akhurst (Port Chalmers, N.Z.).—Gurjun Balsam is an oleo-resinous exudation from various species of dipterocarpus, which grow in countries and islands adjoining Hindostan, such as Moulmein, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, &c. It is also known as mood vil, is used by the natives as a varnish, was proposed as a substitute for eopaiba, and has been used as an adulterant for the same. This eorrespondent wishes formula for No. 21 Pitls, which "some new chums" have asked for. Can anyone favour him?

Omega.—Lavender Water.—Piesse's formula is ol. lavand. Ang., 4 oz.; pure spirit, 3 pints; aq. rosæ, 1 pint. Cooley says the following has received the commendation of Her Majesty and many of the nobility:—Mitcham oil of lavender, 8 oz.; ess. musk, 4 oz.; ess. ambergris and bergamot, of each 1½ cz.; S.V.R., 2 gallons. Another formula is the following:—Ess. bergamot, 4 fluid drachms: ess. lemon and balsam Peru, of each 2 fluid drachms: oils of lavender and cloves, of each 1 fluid drachm; S.V.R., 10 oz. You can reduce the cost of these by using cheaper oils, but you will, of course, reduce the fineness of your product in proportion.

J. H. H.—Lavender Water.—See above.—Eau de Cologne.—The following formula was published in one of our past DIARIES, was adopted by an Australian subscriber, and won for him a gold medal at the Sydney Exhibition:—

			Parts
Bergamot	 	 	7
Citron oil	 	 	17
Ol. neroli petale	 	 	10
Ol. neroli bigar.ule	 	 	31
Ol. rosemary	 	 	7
Grape spirit	 	 	3,000

Some makers consider that a trace of oil of amber, others a little oil of patchouli, aids in promoting the true Cologne odour. The formula of the French Codex is simpler. It is—

Oil of bergamot						Parts 10
Oil of Portugal						10
Oil of lemon			• •			2
Oil of neroli		• •	• •			2
Oil of rosemary	• •	• •		••	• •	2
Alcohol, 90°						1,000

"Castor-oil Pills,"—Mr. W. Price (Hull) writes:—"The label affixed meets the difficulty, and, to my mind, conveys the real meaning of the title. I have used the label for five or six years to my satisfaction and that of my customers. 'Aperient pills; mild as castor-oil. W. Price, chemist, 11 Witham, Hull."

18/267. Peter Plymley would be glad to know if it be possible to destroy moles in their runs by poison; and if so, the modus operandi and the most suitable poison. He has been informed that it is both possible and easy.

41/257. Homoeopathic Business.—Sussex would like to hear the experience of other pharmacists as to whether homoeopathic trade pays, and he inquires to what extent a chemist may go without injuring his reputation among his other customers and with the doctors.

60/253. Chemist asks why two different-sized crystals should be deposited from two samples of borax, each dissolved in the same quantity of hot water? [It is impossible to have the conditions exactly alike twice. A little foreign matter in either solution, an extra motion, or a different degree of heat at which the solution was made may suffice to cause variation in the size, though not in the shape, of the crystals.]

71/253. T. P.—The blotting-paper used in the DIARIES is of very good quality, but it will not stand continual use as a blotting-pad all the year round. It suffices perfectly for blotting the entries in the DIARY. We have tried to supply information in the new DIARY which will enable ehemists to select the chief specialists among the London doctors.

G. C. (Malta).—Orange Wine.—Take 2 lbs. of sugar (or, preferably, honey) and 1 lb. of Malaga raisins to each gallon of water. Set it to ferment in a moderately warm place in an open jar, floating on the liquid a piece of toast on which some yeast is laid. During the fermentation add \(\frac{3}{4}\) oz. of cream of tartar; and when it is subsiding add the juice and the peel (cut thin) of a large orange. Bottle a little before the fermentation is complete.

40/239. B. E. II.—Koumiss.—Lengthy details of the manufacture were published in The Chemists' and Druggists' Diary, 1884. For an artificial preparation we recommend you the following:—Mix 2 drachms of simple syrup, 2 drachms of milk sugar, and 2 teaspoonfuls of brewers' yeast with 40 oz. of skimmed milk; expose to the air for six hours, and then bottle in small champagne bottles, tying the corks down, and keeping in a cool place. This will be at its best in about six days, after which it will begin to deteriorate.

Polish for Walking Sticks.—2lbs. shellac, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. sandarac, and 1 gallou of methylated spirits. Dissolve, and add $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. Venice turpentine previously warmed.

73/253. G. R. C.—Bay Rhum.—Oil of bay, 6 draehms; oil pimento, 1 drachm: acetic ether, 1 oz.; white Castile soap, 4 draehms; alcohol, 12 pints; water 10 pints. Filter after a week.

55/253. A. D.—Sauce similar to some of the popular relishes may be made as follows:—Boil 24 lbs. of hog's liver for twelve hours with 10 gallons of water, frequently renew-

ing the water. Chop up the liver, work with the water, strain, and mix with the following:—

White vinegar				 -15 gallon	S
Walnut ketchup				 10 ,,	
Mushroom ketchu	р			 10 ,,	
Madeira wine				 5 ,,	
Table salt				 25 lbs.	
Canton soy				 4 ,,	
Allspice, powdered	1			 1 ,,	
Coriander, powde:	red			 1 ,,	
Mace				 ł ",	
Cinnamon				 j .,	
Asafætida (dissol	ved in b	rand,)	 L 13	

Gulangal (74/248) and X. Y. Z. (53/17.)—Toothache Powders.—For general use powders containing 10 grains of ammonium chloride and 2 grains of quinine sulphate are safe and effectual. An article on Dental Pathology will be published soon.

59/249. Assistant.—Chances in America.—We never heard of an American druggist so anxious for an English assistant as to pay his passage out. There are quite as many assistants there as there are vacancies, and an English assistant going out to the United States would probably be less preferred than a native one, as he would naturally be unfamiliar with the class of trade.

F. S. R. (29/249), who asked a similar question recently, writes as follows:—"Many thanks for your answer. Λ medical gentleman writing me from Boston (U.S.) commented upon the better chance of success in the chemical and pharmaceutical world there than in England, and one remark struck me as being peculiar. He said that to be an assistant in a drug store it was not necessary to have any special training (such as we have at Bloomsbury Square), or diploma, beyond a good knowledge of chemistry; so that a man trained for an analyst, and, say, employed in England by a drug house, would experience no difficulty—as regards qualification—in obtaining a temporary position as an assistant in an American drug store. Is this a fact \(\ell\) Can you tell me whether the large manufacturing druggists also employ analysts there \(\ell\)?"

[Yes; a good many of the large drug firms employ scientific chemists, but such situations are not many, all told, and none will be vacated just to oblige a gentleman from England. It can hardly be necessary to answer the Boston gentleman's remark as to the indifference to special training, though it is true that the English diploma would have no legal value.]

251/63. American Musk.—Mr. R. S. Cristiani (Philadelphia, U.S.) writes :- "Allow me to make some further observations on this subject, upon which I notice a paper by Mr. Charles Symes in a recent isssue of your Journal. American musk is, no doubt, the most valuable substitute yet discovered for the eostly Tonquin musk in many of the uses to which the latter is put. It is not, of course, equal to Tonquin musk, as there is nothing in the world now known that approaches the latter in value as an ingredient in the manufacture of perfumery; but still, for perfuming toilet soaps the American musk, in combination with other suitable substances, will be found the best possible substitute for the Chinese article. It may also be used for many other purposes, although it will not give the true odour of fine musk: but with a little age the soaps in which it has been used become similar to those seented with the true musk.

"The demand for American musk in this country and in England has steadily increased from season to season, and I estimate that some of our large soap manufacturers save large sums by its use, as they have soaps of special perfume and name, that owe their popularity to the American musk. But before the substance ean become an article of commerce some system will have to be introduced in its mode of collection and of preservation, for at present, upon the approach of warm weather it is attacked by insects, and soon made worthless."

54/251. Alpha.—You will find paraffin scale (unpurified)

as cheap as anything for mixing with the oil-eask drippings in order to render them fit for Inbricating purposes.

7/251. Pax aut Bellum.—We have given various formulæ for Lime Juice and Glycerine, but the following, which affords a nice inseparable compound, has not previously been published:

						Oz,
Nut oil						 16
Lime-wa	er					 12
Water						 31
Powdere	l soap					 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lemon ar	id berg	aniot.	a.s. to	perfu	me.	

Dissolve the soap in the water by the aid of heat, mix the oil with the lime-water, add the soap solution, shake well, and add the perfumes.

Full particulars regarding the syrups are in Diary for 1887.

70/249. Micawber.—The only feasible plan to remove the printed matter from the post-cards is to rub them with sandpaper.

16/249. Inscitia.—The only way to acquire a knowledge of chemical formulæ and notation is to learn chemistry. Do not try a near cut: it is waste of time. Read Shenstone's "Introduction to Chemistry" (Rivingtons, 2s.), or Roscoe's "Elementary Lessons" (Maemillan, 4s. 6d.).

 $25/249.\ Blackburn.- Liquor Ferri Iodidi.- Digest I oz. of iron wire and 2 oz. of iodine in 5 oz. of$ water contained in a flask for a day: then transfer to an evaporating-dish and heat until acid vapours ecase to be given off, replace water if necessary during the boiling, and when the solution measures about 4 oz. filter, add 20 minims of hypophosphorous acid, and make up to 4 oz. with water. One part of this added to seven parts of water makes the syrup.

15/245. Gomma.—We presume that Blasting Ointment used for the "rose" (erysipelas) is basilicon ointment.

26/245. Ignoramus (who does not use any other name) wishes to know how stoppers may be removed from liquorpotassæ bottles. They cannot be, because the stopper and the neek of the bottle have practically become one mass, owing to chemical action.

5/245. Mel asks how Honey may be kept from erystallising, and then quaintly adds:—"I have been told by a chemist that honey may be prevented from setting without adulterating it, so keeping it in the much-fancied fluid form. Can you inform me how it is done? I understand there is one 'take of honey' which never sets; but I refer to honey taken any time during the season. I do not want to make it from glucose, burnt sugar, and a bee.

[We do not know any natural honey which does not set sooner or later, although that taken at the end of the season remains longer liquid than the first taken. To prevent crystallisation of the grape-sugar it would be necessary to convert it into levulose, by heating with a small percentage

of sulphuric acid.]

29/251. W. E. Parkes.—We published various formulæ for Whitworth's Drops in July. One of them gives the composition as: Rectified spirit, 2 oz.; comp. tincture of lavender, 1 oz.; oil of origanum, 2 drachms.

65 248. Xenophon.—The colour of bees-wax may be restored by digesting it in a water-bath with a little hay saffron; palm oil might also be used, but that would, of course, partake of adulteration.

51/248. Inchiostri (Malta).—You will find the formula given on page 565 excellent. The ink keeps well and may be diluted to half strength. Stephens's is said to be colonred with prussian blue, but this is doubtful.

Beta (72/253), Deva (65/254), and A. J. Fanley (44/253). Glycerine and Cucumber .- The following is the formula given in last vol., p. 29:-

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White glycerine soap ...
                                    .. 3ss
Cucumber ointment ..
                                       31.
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                                   .. 3xxxij.
Distilled water .. ..
Joekey Club ..
                                   .. 395.
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Shave the soap into fine shreds, and dissolve it in 2 oz. of water by the heat of a water-bath. Transfer to a mortar, and incorporate the ointment, previously liquefied, with it. Gradually add the rest of the water (hct), stirring constantly and dexterously; add the perfume before it cools.

See also comments on pages 534 and 596 in current volume.

For Milk of Roses substitute cold eream for the eucumber ointment in above formula, and 5ss. otto of rose, and 5j. of rectified spirit instead of the Jockey Club.

253/72. Chesterfield asks our opinion as to the best way of mixing the following so that it will not separate:-

Sapon, alb.		 	 	1 oz.
Unguent. cucun	ieris	 	 • •	8 .,
Ol. amygd. ess.		 	 	8 gutt
Otto ro-w		 	 	8 ,,
Aquie rosie .		 	 	Oiv.

The formula contains too little soap to form an inseparable preparation without the addition of an alkali, such as borax. At least 2 oz of powdered soap should be used, and dissolved in 8 oz. of water with the aid of heat. With this the melted ointment should be thoroughly incorporated. When this is done, add 20 oz. of hot water, gradually and with constant stirring; then the perfume and triple rose water to make the required volume.]

Mother's Friend.—A. J. T. sends the following formula for this preparation :--

Sacch. alb			 	1 1b.
Aquæ			 	15 oz.
Dissolve, and when e	ool add-	_		
Magn. carb. levi	s		 	1 oz.
Pulv. rad. rhei			 	38s.
" " ipecac			 	3j.
" ., zingil			 	iss.
Ol. anisi			 	mxv.
Ol. anethi			 .,	₩v.
Tinct. opii			 	½ oz.
Aquæ, to measur	·e		 	30 "

This contains tinct, opii Mj. in 3j. Dose: Mv. to 3j. or 3ij., according to age.

LEGAL QUERIES.

60/253. S. V. R.—A grocer can legally sell liquor. ammon, fort.

69/256. IV. A.—One of the documents you send us professes to issue from the University of Ohio at Cincinnati, and to confer the degree of M.D. on the person named. This is dated January 1, 1880. The other diploma confers the fellowship of the Society of Rational Medicine of the Michigan Republic (!) at Detroit on your friend J. M., and is humorously dated April 1, 1886. Neither of these diplomas is of legal value in this country; it would be, in fact, distinctly illegal to make any use of them.

5/257. Arbeitsam.—The Excise allow beverages containing 2 per cent. of proof spirit to pass duty free. It has also been given out that proceedings are not taken when the quantity of proof spirit in fermented liquors is under 3 per cent.

DISPENSING NOTES.

[The opinion of practical readers is invited on subjects discussed under this heading.]

Collodion and Chlorate of Potassium.

SIR,—Will anyone kindly explain how the following should be dispensed, and also what is the presumed action of the chlorate of potash.

 Potass, chlor.
 9j.

 Ext, bellad.
 3ss.

 Collodion
 3ss.

Yours faithfully, W. F. W. (71/15.)

The Illegible Prescription.

SIR,—"F. G.'s" pocket-glass has been too small, for he has failed to see the whole of the prescription, having omitted to translate the seventh line altogether, which, he will notice, runs down the left-hand side of the prescription. This line will explain to "F. G." what he says is at present a mystery to him—viz., how I get "every 8 hours." The directions are in each case in English; "F. G." and "Juniper" both try to make Latin of them, and fail. "F. G.'s" translation of the fourth line cannot be correct, as he reads "8 bottles to be taken occasionally"; whereas it really is written in English, "One every 8 hours."

The two signs like the figure "7" which "F. G." construes "Sumat" and "Sig." respectively, really are abbreviations for "every." I think my reading will be admitted the correct one.

Yours, &c.,

Manchester. T. C. E. O. (256/61.)

SIR,—I would have dispensed it as follows:—

SPEM. (75/35.)

10/257. E. Clarke.—The German Prescription which you send us reads as follows:—

"V. A." is the contraction for "vialo aporto"—a stoppered bottle.

"Aüsserlich" means "externally"; or, "for external use."

An Unofficial Remedy.

SIR,—I had the following presented the other day to make up. Can any of your readers make out what is intended?

.. 3ij. Decoct. rad. rumicis crisp. ... Tr. Geoffroyæ inerm. 3ij. Extract Gavelles 3j. . . ٠. Acid citrie 3iss. .. ٠. Sp. vini rect., 56 o.p. .. 3ij. M. Mist. stet dies xv. et adde-Aquæ ad •• .. 3xiv. Subscriber. (38/254.)

[Rumex crispus and Geoffroya (or Andira) inermis are drugs whose chemistry and therapeutics have been investigated. Can anyone tell us something of their pharmacy; also what the extract is.]

256/53. C. F. J. submits the following for "some of our younger readers to try their hands upon." The pills were dispensed by him a few days ago.

Camphore gr. ss.
Ammon. carb. gr. iss.
Ft. pil. Mitte xxiv.

Paraffin Ointments.

SIR,—In reply to "Student's" request for opinions on the unguents of the B.P. made with paraffin, hard and soft, I beg to offer my experience. I find that ung. hyd. ox. rub. made according to the formula in new B.P. presents a granular and unsightly appearance, and, further, the ointment will not adhere to a surface which is moist. The old formula did adhere to moist surfaces, and the ointment was a good and presentable one. Why they altered its formula I cannot say, and I think it would puzzle those who did alter it to say why they did so. Ung. hyd. nit. dil. is very much too soft, and more fit for a bottle than a pot.

Yours truly,
Chester. Yourst. (37/257.)

MISCELLANEOUS QUERIES.

Yellow Colouring for Lemonade, in powder form, can be obtained from such houses as Messrs. Bush & Co., Stevenson & Howell, &c.

Sheep Dip.—In reply to "E. C. A.," Mr. J. Ettles (Elgin) writes:—"In the 'Agricultural Notebook,' by P. McConnell, late Professor of Agriculture in Glasgow University, page 252, a formula for dip containing arsenic is given. Published 1883. Also in 'Farm Live Stock,' by Robert Wallace, F.C.S., F.H.A.S., Professor of Agriculture in Edinburgh, p. 146. Published 1885."

Query 43/249 is for a varnish for cut flowers, to keep them fresh for a day or two.

46/252. Chemicus.—A few drops of liq. ferri dialysat. or of ext. glycyrrhiz. co. will serve to colour the iron and quinine tonic.

47,248. Assist Nature.—Cough Mixture.—We understand you to want a mixture in which syrup of wild cherry will be one of the ingredients. The following is a good one:—

 Chloral hydrat.
 100 gr.

 Acet. ipecacuanhæ, 1 in 20
 3ij.

 Syrup, tolutan.
 3iij.

 Aquæ camphorae
 3iij.

 Syrup, pruni virginian, ad
 3xx.

Dose: For children, Mx. to 3j.; for adults, 3j. to 3iv. in water.

Dandruff.—You will find a formula for an ointment, originally given in our 1884 DIARY, repeated in the current volume. A solution of ehloral hydrate—3ij. to 3viij. of rose water—has also been recommended.

S. C. asks whether Bay Rhum contains any expressed oil, and, if so, how it can be made bright to prevent

separation.

[Genuinc bay rhum does not contain fixed oil, but sophisticated kinds have been found which contained as much as 50 per cent. of fixed oil. These should not be used for hair preparations. There should be no difficulty in getting the genuine imported article, which mixes clear with water—any slight turbidity being readily removed by shaking up with a little kaolin and filtering.]

38/253. E. O. S. has a brass counter-rail from which part of the lacquer has come off, so that it has rather an unsightly appearance. He wishes to know if he can lacquer it himself.

appearance. He wishes to know if he can lacquer it himself. [Brass goods are first heated to 75° C. before the varnish is applied. The heating may be dispensed with, but in this case the coating is not so permanent. The varnish which is generally used is composed of 1 part of seedlac in 4 or 5 of methylated spirit, coloured with dragon's blood or turmeric if a bright golden colour is desired.]

7/251. Pax aut Bellum.—Is your nitric acid of full strength, and pure? If there is a proper excess of nitric acid left, the liq. ferri pernitratis should not deposit.

14/253. Apprentice.—Cosmetie Zinc Cream—Add 1 grain of sulpho-carbolate of zinc to each ounce of the milk of roscs formula given in this issue.

Sachet Powders.—Use 8 parts of bran and 1 part of orris powder as the basis, and add an ounce of jockey club, or other perfume, to each pound of the mixture.

Which cold cream formula do you refer to?

34/251. *Ajax.*—Glycerine Jelly.—We reprint a good old formula for you:—

Gelatine or	isinglass	 	 	1 oz.
Glycerine		 	 	20 ,,
Water	• •	 • •	 	20 "
Borle acid	• •	 	 	2 drachms

Soak the gelatine in the water until soft, then heat until dissolved; and, when it cools down a little, add the white of an egg to it. Mix well, and again heat, to coagulate the albumen; add the other ingredients, and strain while hot. Perfume with any desired odour. If the gelatine gives a clear solution the white of egg need not be used.

67/253. Abstainer.—Glycerine Cream.—

Glycerine	 	 	6 oz.
Soft soap	 	 	5 "
Rose water, triple	 	 	5 .,
Tineture of arniea	 	 	1 ,,
Boric acid	 	 	l

Dissolve the acid in the glycerine by the aid of heat; then add the mixture to the other ingredients, which have previously been well mixed in a mortar.

65/253. A. L. Doran—Volumetric Work.—"On estimating HCN or SO₂ (using the pipette as measure instead of weighing), is it practically necessary to allow for expansion of the solutions; if so, where is the best table of coefficients to be found?"

[The Pharmacopæia directs measurements to be made at 60° Fahr., but a little latitude is permissible in all cases; and in those mentioned measuring is more accurate, because more rapid, than weighing. We do not think that the Pharmacopæia aims at mathematical accuracy.]

Syr. Hypophos. Comp. (Ext. Phar.).

65/253. A. L. Doran writes:—"Can any subscriber oblige me with his experience of this preparation, or has the formula ever been criticised? It appears to me absurd, as in the first place, out of the five ingredients to be used two only are hypophosphites, and the lime salt usually present in compound syrups is omitted altogether; secondly, either the dose or the proportions seem to be astray; and, thirdly, the product does not resemble the advertised preparations."

[This subject is discussed in our forthcoming DIARY. It should be noted that the calcium hypophosphite is the cause of the heavy deposit in some syrups.]

66/245. X. Y.—The balsam appears to be a mixture of Canada balsam, resin and an oil or fat.

21/249. Vaseline.—The plaster which you send us resembles Gold Beater's Skin, and is prepared by eoating one side of the skin with a weak solution of gutta percha, an adhesive coat being imparted with the following solution:—

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Gum benzoin . . . . . . 2 oz.
Reetified spirit . . . . . . 12 ,,
Isinglass . . . . . . 2 ,,
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Dissolve the benzoin in the spirit, and filter. Soak the isinglass in water (about 6 oz.), and dissolve by the aid of heat. Mix the solutions and decant the clear portion, which is to be applied hot.

67/255. A Student.—The rationale of the B.P. process for the Estimation of Opium is that the lime splits up the alkaloidal meconates and sulphates, the morphine and narco-tine combine with calcium hydrate to form double hydrates.

These are subsequently split up by the ammonium chloride, and by treatment with ether the narcotine is kept in solution (being soluble in ether) while the morphine crystallises out.

Purification of Bismuth from copper and arsenium is effected according to the Pharmacopæia by fusion with sulphur and potassium cyanide. The impurities combine with the sulphur and are kept free from the bismuth by means of the cyanide.

58/253. Country.—Children's Hairwash.—The following is a satisfactory parasitic lotion:—

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Stavesaere seed (brnised) ..... 1 oz. Strong acetic acid ..... 4 oz.
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Macerate for seven days, filter, and wash the mare with an ounce or two of water. Add the filtrate to the following solution:—

Camphor	 	 	 2 draehms
Rectified spirit	 	 	 10 oz.
Glycerine	 	 	 5 oz.
Water	 	 	 40 oz.

Perfume with some French essence, such as frangipani.

See also page 360.

41/253. Cymro.—Pick-me-up Bitters (sherry-coloured).—

	Spirit of chloroform		 2 oz.	
	Aromatic spirit of ammonia		 5.,	
	Tincture of cascarilla	• •	 5 ,,	
	Glycerine		 5 .,	
	Compound tineture of gentian,	to	 30 ,,	
Dose: F	rom 3j. to 3iv.			

39/254. J. T. H.—Glycerine Manufacture.—You will find this subject treated fully in the book on technical chemistry, published by Mackenzie. Most public libraries have a copy of the work.

41/254. A Country Subscriber.—Hogg's "Manual on the Microscope" (7s. 6d.) is a very good book for general use; while those of Beale and Carpenter—which sell at about double that price—are recognised as the best books on the subject.

73/2. Aq. Lavand.—If the formula for hypophosphites syrup contains sulphates, the odour which has been developed is likely to be sulphuretted hydrogen. Please send us a sample with the deposit in it.

26/251. P. C. writes regarding Essence of Linseed, of which we gave a formula on September 4:—After standing for a few hours he gets a sediment at the bottom of each bottle. Thinking it might be caused by the tolu, he made another half gallon without it, but still it is there. [The deposit is very probably due to the senega, and the only way to get over it is to allow the whole to stand, and to decant the clear portion. Ammonia, always successful in clearing senega solutions, is inadmissible in this case.]

18/252. H. E. C.—Taurocholate of Soda is best made into suppositories with a gelatine basis.

Information Wanted.

[Replies to the following requests are solicited by Correspondents of The Chemist and Druggist.]

53/251. Formula for kid-reviver similar to Propert's.

46/248. Recipe for granular browning.

66/252. Formulæ for concentrated ginger wine essence, and concentrated herb beer essence.

40/339. Horehound beer formula asked for.

39/253. Addresses of makers of presses and dies; the latter for soap-stamping.

45/253. Actinic green vials—1½-drachm and 3-drachm—in bronze eard cases. Where obtainable.

7/251. Maker of menthol cone moulds.

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From Lord Chancellor SELBORNE, Vice-Chancellor Sir W. PAGE WOOD, and the LORDS JUSTICES OF APPEAL.

VICE-CHANCELLOR SIR W. PAGE WOOD, by whom the suit in Chancery was first heard, stated in his judgment that 'Dr. J. Collis Browne was undoubtedly the Inventor of Chlorodyne, that the whole story of the Defendant Freeman was as deliberately untrue as the falsehood he had deposed to with reference to the use of his Chlorodyne in the Hospital.'

The VICE-CHANCELLOR also stated, 'that Chlorodyne was a fanciful name, and had application been made sooner, the

Court would have given Dr. Browne protection.'

LORD CHANCELLOR SELBORNE coincided with the judgment of the Vice-Chancellor upon this point, and stated 'that had application been made at a proper time and place, the Court would have found means to restrain the Defendant from misre-presenting the decision of the Vice-Chancellor.'

LORD JUSTICE JAMES, on appeal, stated in his judgment, 'that the Defendant Freeman had made a deliberate misrepre-

centation of the decision of Vice-Chancellor Wood.'

It was proved in Court, on affidavit by Mrs. Forbes, of Paris, that the testimonial published in the Times, November 14th, 1865, speaking of the great efficacy of Chlorodyne in Cholera, referred to Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne, and that she never used any other, that she had written to the Defendant Freeman to that effect; notwithstanding which notice the Defendant publishes the said testimonial as referring to his medicine.

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The Editor of the Medical Times, in his report on Chlorodyne, January 13th, 1866, gives information that the Chlorodyne referred to was the medicine introduced by a retired Army Medical Officer, which was Dr. J. Collis Browne; still this is published

by the Defendant as testimony to his medicine.

Numerous affidavits from eminent Physicians and others were produced in Court, stating that Dr. J. Collis Browne was the inventor of Chlorodyne, and that when prescribing they mean no other.

The Defendant himself publishes that his compound is in effect and composition quite different to any other preparation;

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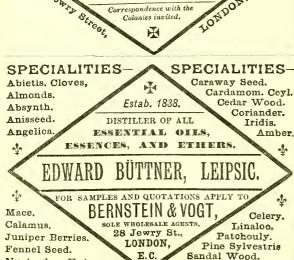
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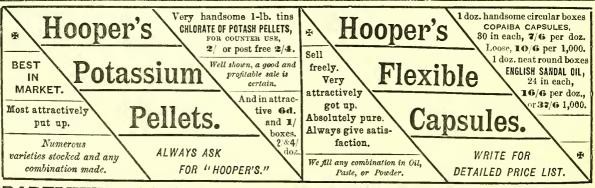
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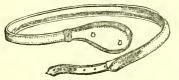
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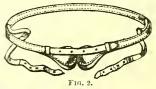


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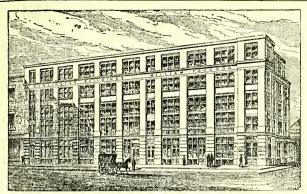
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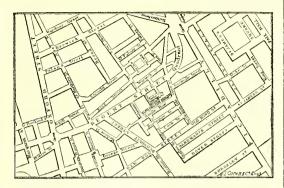
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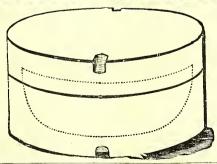
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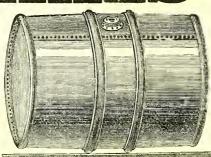
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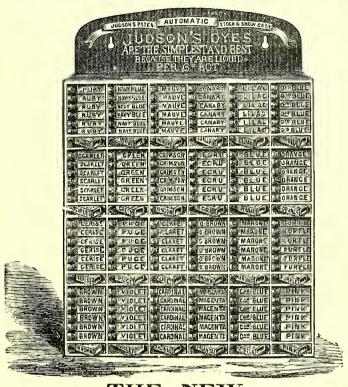
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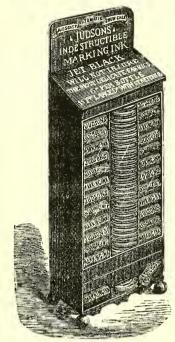
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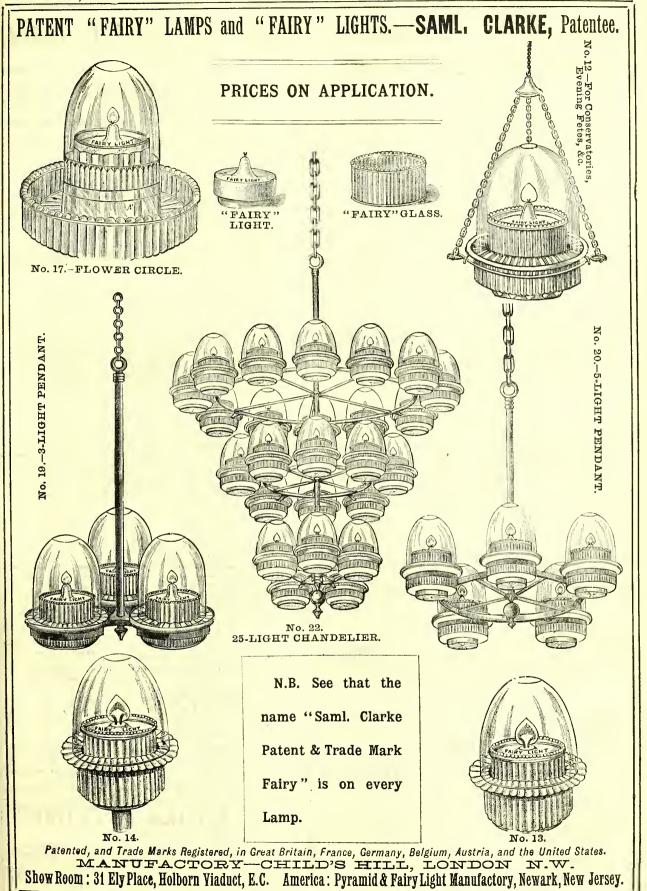


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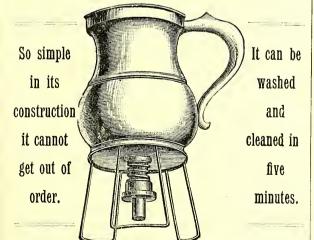
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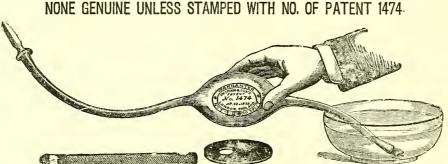
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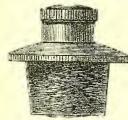
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